



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB2525

by Rep. Tom Demmer

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

60 ILCS 1/Art. 27 heading  
60 ILCS 1/27-5  
60 ILCS 1/27-10  
60 ILCS 1/Art. 28 rep.

Amends the Township Code. Provides that all townships within a coterminous, or substantially coterminous, municipality may be discontinued (currently, municipalities in which the city council exercises the powers and duties of the township board, or in which one or more municipal officials serve as an officer or trustee of the township; that are located within a county with a population of 3 million or more; and which contain a territory of 7 square miles or more). Makes conforming changes. Repeals an Article of the Township Code regarding discontinuance of specified townships in St. Clair County. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

HOUSING  
AFFORDABILITY  
IMPACT NOTE ACT  
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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 Township Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 27-5 and 27-10 and the heading of Article 27 as  
6 follows:

7 (60 ILCS 1/Art. 27 heading)

8 ARTICLE 27. DISCONTINUANCE OF TOWNSHIP  
9 ORGANIZATION WITHIN COTERMINOUS MUNICIPALITY~~+~~

10 ~~COUNTY POPULATION OF 3 MILLION OR MORE~~

11 (Source: P.A. 98-127, eff. 8-2-13; 99-474, eff. 8-27-15.)

12 (60 ILCS 1/27-5)

13 Sec. 27-5. Applicability. This Article shall apply only to  
14 a township that: ~~(1) is within a coterminous, or substantially~~  
15 ~~coterminous, municipality in which the city council exercises~~  
16 ~~the powers and duties of the township board, or in which one or~~  
17 ~~more municipal officials serve as an officer or trustee of the~~  
18 ~~township; (2) is located within a county with a population of 3~~  
19 ~~million or more; and (3) contains a territory of 7 square miles~~  
20 ~~or more.~~

21 (Source: P.A. 98-127, eff. 8-2-13.)

1 (60 ILCS 1/27-10)

2 Sec. 27-10. Petition and referendum to discontinue and  
3 abolish a township organization within a coterminous  
4 municipality. Upon adoption of an ordinance by the township  
5 board or the city council of a municipality in which the city  
6 council exercises the powers and duties of the township board  
7 ~~city council of a township described under Section 27-5 of this~~  
8 ~~Article~~, or upon petition of at least 10% of the registered  
9 voters of that township, the township board or the city council  
10 shall certify and cause to be submitted to the voters of the  
11 township, at the next election or consolidated election, a  
12 proposition to discontinue and abolish the township  
13 organization and to transfer all the rights, powers, duties,  
14 assets, property, liabilities, obligations, and  
15 responsibilities of the township organization to the  
16 coterminous municipality.

17 A signature on a petition shall not be valid or counted in  
18 considering the petition unless the form requirements are  
19 complied with and the date of each signature is less than 90  
20 days before the last day for filing the petition. The statement  
21 of the person who circulates the petition must include an  
22 attestation (i) indicating the dates on which that sheet was  
23 circulated, (ii) indicating the first and last date on which  
24 that sheet was circulated, or (iii) certifying that none of the  
25 signatures on the sheet was signed more than 90 days before the  
26 last day for filing the petition. The petition shall be treated

1 and the proposition certified in the manner provided by the  
2 general election law. After the proposition has once been  
3 submitted to the electorate, the proposition shall not be  
4 resubmitted for 4 years.

5 The proposition shall be in substantially the following  
6 form:

7 Shall the township organization be continued in [Name  
8 of Township] Township?

9 The votes shall be recorded as "Yes" or "No".

10 (Source: P.A. 98-127, eff. 8-2-13; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.)

11 (60 ILCS 1/Art. 28 rep.)

12 Section 10. The Township Code is amended by repealing  
13 Article 28.

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
15 becoming law.