



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB1076

Introduced 1/12/2023, by Rep. Lance Yednock

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/5-1049.2

Amends the Counties Code. Provides that, notwithstanding other specified county property leasing provisions, upon majority vote, the county board may lease farmland acquired or held by the county for any term not exceeding 99 years. Provides that farmland may be leased to either public or private entities for the public purpose of financially supporting the operations of the government at any time or times and on any terms and conditions that the county board deems best for the interest of the county, including, but not limited to, crop-sharing arrangements. Effective immediately.

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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 Counties Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 5-1049.2 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-1049.2)

7 Sec. 5-1049.2. Lease of county property.

8 (a) The county board may lease real estate acquired or  
9 held by the county for any term not exceeding 99 years and may  
10 lease the real estate when, in the opinion of the county board,  
11 the real estate is no longer necessary, appropriate, required  
12 for the use of, profitable to, or for the best interests of the  
13 county. The authority to lease shall be exercised by an  
14 ordinance passed by three-fourths of the county board members  
15 then holding office, at any regular meeting or at any special  
16 meeting called for that purpose. However, the county board may  
17 authorize any county officer to make leases for terms not  
18 exceeding 2 years in a manner determined by the Board.

19 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), upon majority vote,  
20 the county board may lease farmland acquired or held by the  
21 county for any term not exceeding 99 years. Farmland may be  
22 leased to either public or private entities for the public  
23 purpose of financially supporting the operations of the

1 government at any time or times and on any terms and conditions  
2 that the county board deems best for the interest of the  
3 county, including, but not limited to, crop-sharing  
4 arrangements.

5 (Source: P.A. 88-526.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7 becoming law.