



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB2421

Introduced 2/15/2023, by Rep. Martin McLaughlin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 805/805-570 new

Amends the Department of Natural Resources (Conservation) Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Public Health shall share the results of pathogen testing of ticks from State parks with the Department of Natural Resources annually. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall thereafter obtain, install, and maintain signs at all State-managed parks and outdoor recreation areas and facilities, including, but not limited to, recreational trail entryways, campgrounds, and any other location as defined and determined by the Department of Natural Resources as necessary and reflective of the results of the Department of Public Health's tick surveillance and pathogen testing, warning individuals that ticks may be found in the area and cause Lyme disease or other tick-borne diseases. The Department of Natural Resources may use models already in use throughout the State or in another state or any model the Department of Natural Resources determines appropriate when determining the design and content for such signage. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Natural Resources
5 (Conservation) Law of the Civil Administrative Code of
6 Illinois is amended by adding Section 805-570 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 805/805-570 new)

8 Sec. 805-570. Lyme and other tick-borne disease warning
9 signs. The Department of Public Health shall share the results
10 of pathogen testing of ticks from State parks with the
11 Department annually. The Department shall thereafter obtain,
12 install, and maintain signs at all State-managed parks and
13 outdoor recreation areas and facilities, including, but not
14 limited to, recreational trail entryways, campgrounds, and any
15 other location as defined and determined by the Department as
16 necessary and reflective of the results of the Department of
17 Public Health's tick surveillance and pathogen testing,
18 warning individuals that ticks may be found in the area and
19 cause Lyme disease or other tick-borne diseases. The
20 Department may use models already in use throughout the State
21 or in another state or any model the Department determines
22 appropriate when determining the design and content for such
23 signage.

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