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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2226

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2226, AS AMENDED,  
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the  
4 following:

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

8 (20 ILCS 805/805-570 new)

9 Sec. 805-570. Conservation Opportunity Areas.

10 (a) In this Section, "Conservation Opportunity Area" means  
11 a portion of this State within the Illinois Wildlife Action  
12 Plan to assist with the conservation of native species and the  
13 habitats that support them.

14 (b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a  
15 Conservation Opportunity Area designation by the Department  
16 shall not be used by the Illinois Power Agency beginning with

1 the Long-Term Renewable Resources Procurement Plan outlined in  
2 paragraph (5) of subsection (b) of Section 16-111.5 of the  
3 Public Utilities Act developed in calendar year 2023 as a  
4 basis to deny or withhold any:

5 (1) regulatory action;

6 (2) permitting;

7 (3) licensure; and

8 (4) funding."