

1 AN ACT in relation to transportation.

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 adding
5 Section 117 as follows:

6 (60 ILCS 1/30-117 new)

7 Sec. 30-117. Special services; disaster relief. The
8 electors may authorize the use of general road and bridge
9 funds or town funds for the purpose of collecting,
10 transporting, and disposing of brush and leaves generated
11 from those properties contiguous to roads as defined by
12 Section 2-103. Further, the electors may allow general road
13 and bridge or town funds to also be used for the purpose of
14 providing disaster relief and support services approved by
15 the Township Board of Trustees at a regularly scheduled or
16 special meeting.

17 Section 10. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by
18 changing Sections 6-201.6 and 6-201.7 and adding Section
19 6-201.21 as follows:

20 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.6) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-201.6)

21 Sec. 6-201.6. Direct the expenditure of all moneys
22 collected in the district for road purposes, including those
23 purposes allowed under Section 6-201.21 of this Code, and
24 draw warrants on the district treasurer therefor, provided
25 such warrants are countersigned by the district clerk.

26 (Source: Laws 1959, p. 196.)

27 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.7) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-201.7)

28 Sec. 6-201.7. Construct, maintain and repair and be

1 responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of
2 roads within the district, let contracts, employ labor and
3 purchase material and machinery therefor, subject to the
4 limitations provided in this Code. No contract shall be let
5 for the construction or repair of any road or part thereof in
6 excess of the amount of \$10,000, nor shall any material,
7 machinery or other appliances to be used in road construction
8 or maintenance of roads in excess of such amount be
9 purchased, nor shall several contracts each for an amount of
10 \$10,000 or less be let for the construction or repair of any
11 road or part thereof when such construction or repair is in
12 reality part of one project costing more than \$10,000, nor
13 shall any material, machinery or other appliance to be used
14 therein be purchased under several contracts each for an
15 amount of \$10,000 or less, if such purchases are essentially
16 one transaction amounting to more than \$10,000, without the
17 written approval of the county superintendent of highways in
18 the case of road districts other than consolidated township
19 road districts or without the written approval of the highway
20 board of auditors in the case of consolidated township road
21 districts. Contracts, labor, machinery, disposal, and
22 incidental expenses related to special services under Section
23 6-201.21 of this Code constitute maintenance, for purposes of
24 this Section.

25 Except for professional services, when the cost of
26 construction, materials, supplies, new machinery or equipment
27 exceeds \$10,000, the contract for such construction,
28 materials, supplies, machinery or equipment shall be let,
29 after the above written approval is obtained, to the lowest
30 responsible bidder after advertising for bids at least once,
31 and at least 10 days prior to the time set for the opening of
32 such bids, in a newspaper published within the township or
33 road district, or, if no newspaper is published within the
34 township or road district then in one published within the

1 county, or, if no newspaper is published within the county
2 then in a newspaper having general circulation within the
3 township or road district, but, in case of an emergency, such
4 contract may be let without advertising for bids upon the
5 approval of the County Superintendent of Highways expressing
6 in writing the existence of such emergency and, in the case
7 of consolidated township road districts, upon the approval of
8 the highway board of auditors. For purposes of this Section
9 "new machinery or equipment" shall be defined as that which
10 has been previously untitled or that which shows fewer than
11 200 hours on its operating clock and that is accompanied by a
12 new equipment manufacturer's warranty.

13 (Source: P.A. 92-268, eff. 1-1-02.)

14 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.21 new)

15 Sec. 6-201.21. Special services; disaster relief. Subject
16 to Section 30-117 of the Township Code, the highway
17 commissioner has authority to provide for orderly collection
18 and disposal of brush and leaves that have been properly
19 placed for collection along the road district rights-of-way
20 in accordance with local guidelines in those townships or
21 counties that regulate by ordinance open burning of brush or
22 leaves. Further, the highway commissioner has authority to
23 provide necessary relief services following the occurrence of
24 an event that has been declared a disaster by State or local
25 officials. The highway commissioner has purchasing authority,
26 subject to Section 6-201.6, and contractual authority as
27 defined of Section 6-201.7 of this Code.

28 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
29 becoming law.