

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 Department of Transportation Law of the  
5 Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding  
6 Section 2705-555.5 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2705/2705-555.5 new)

8 Sec. 2705-555.5. Lease of vacant land to unit of local  
9 government or school district. If the Department owns vacant  
10 land within a unit of local government, forest preserve  
11 district, park district, or school district, the Department of  
12 Transportation may enter into a lease agreement with the unit  
13 of local government, forest preserve district, park district,  
14 or the school district for use of the vacant land. The lease  
15 agreement may be for less than fair market value and must  
16 prohibit the unit of local government, forest preserve  
17 district, park district, or school district from erecting any  
18 permanent structure upon the property.

19 Section 10. The Counties Code is amended by adding Section  
20 5-1083.5 as follows:

21 (55 ILCS 5/5-1083.5 new)

22 Sec. 5-1083.5. Lease with Department of Transportation for  
23 vacant lands. If the Department of Transportation owns vacant  
24 land within a county, the county may enter into a lease  
25 agreement with the Department for use of the vacant land. The  
26 lease agreement may be for less than fair market value and must  
27 prohibit the county from erecting any permanent structure upon  
28 the property.

29 Section 15. The Township Code is amended by adding Section

1 105-5.5 as follows:

2 (60 ILCS 1/105-5.5 new)

3 Sec. 105-5.5. Lease with Department of Transportation for  
4 vacant lands. If the Department of Transportation owns vacant  
5 land within a township, the Department may enter into a lease  
6 agreement with the township for use of the vacant land. The  
7 lease agreement may be for less than fair market value and must  
8 prohibit the township from erecting any permanent structure  
9 upon the property.

10 Section 20. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by  
11 adding Section 11-77-5 as follows:

12 (65 ILCS 5/11-77-5 new)

13 Sec. 11-77-5. Lease with Department of Transportation for  
14 vacant lands. If the Department of Transportation owns vacant  
15 land within a municipality, the Department of Transportation  
16 may enter into a lease agreement with the municipality for use  
17 of the vacant land. The lease agreement may be for less than  
18 fair market value and must prohibit the municipality from  
19 erecting any permanent structure upon the property.

20 Section 22. The Downstate Forest Preserve District Act is  
21 amended by adding Section 6f as follows:

22 (70 ILCS 805/6f new)

23 Sec. 6f. Lease with Department of Transportation for vacant  
24 lands. If the Department of Transportation owns vacant land  
25 within a forest preserve district, the forest preserve district  
26 may enter into a lease agreement with the Department for use of  
27 the vacant land. The lease agreement may be for less than fair  
28 market value and must prohibit the forest preserve district  
29 from erecting any permanent structure upon the property.

30 Section 23. The Cook County Forest Preserve District Act is

1 amended by adding Section 39.1 as follows:

2 (70 ILCS 810/39.1 new)

3 Sec. 39.1. Lease with Department of Transportation for  
4 vacant lands. If the Department of Transportation owns vacant  
5 land within a forest preserve district, the forest preserve  
6 district may enter into a lease agreement with the Department  
7 for use of the vacant land. The lease agreement may be for less  
8 than fair market value and must prohibit the forest preserve  
9 district from erecting any permanent structure upon the  
10 property.

11 Section 25. The Park District Code is amended by adding  
12 Section 8-12a as follows:

13 (70 ILCS 1205/8-12a new)

14 Sec. 8-12a. Leases with Department of Transportation for  
15 vacant lands. If the Department of Transportation owns vacant  
16 land within a park district, the park district may enter into a  
17 lease agreement with the Department for use of the vacant land.  
18 The lease agreement may be for less than fair market value and  
19 must prohibit the park district from erecting any permanent  
20 structure upon the property.

21 Section 30. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
22 10-22-12a as follows:

23 (105 ILCS 5/10-22-12a new)

24 Sec. 10-22-12a. Leases with Department of Transportation  
25 for vacant lands. If the Department of Transportation owns  
26 vacant land within a school district, the school district may  
27 enter into a lease agreement with the Department for use of the  
28 vacant land. The lease agreement may be for less than fair  
29 market value and must prohibit the school district from  
30 erecting any permanent structure upon the property.

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