# 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

## 2005 and 2006

#### SB0556

Introduced 2/17/2005, by Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/21-220

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, in counties with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, unless the county board, by resolution, provides for a period not exceeding 20 business days prior to the first day of sale (now, unless the county board provides otherwise), no person shall be eligible to bid who did not register with the county collector at least 10 business days prior to the first day of sale authorized under Section 21-115. Provides that the county board may, by resolution, require any tax-sale registrant to pay to the collector a registration fee not to exceed \$1,000, which must be applied to the costs incurred by the office of the collector in conducting the tax sale. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing
Section 21-220 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/21-220)

Sec. 21-220. Letter of credit or bond in counties of 7 3,000,000 or more; registration in other counties. In counties 8 with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, no person shall make an 9 10 offer to pay the amount due on any property and the collector shall not accept or acknowledge an offer from any person who 11 has not deposited with the collector, not less than 10 days 12 prior to making such offer, an irrevocable and unconditional 13 14 letter of credit or such other unconditional bond payable to 15 the order of the collector in an amount not less than 1.5 times the amount of any tax or special assessment due upon the 16 17 property, provided that in no event shall the irrevocable and 18 unconditional letter of credit or such other unconditional bond 19 be in an amount less than \$1,000. The collector may without 20 notice draw upon the letter of credit or bond in the event 21 payment of the amount due together with interest and costs 22 thereon is not made forthwith by the person purchasing any 23 property. At all times during the sale, any person making an offer or offers to pay the amount or amounts due on any 24 25 properties shall maintain the letter of credit or bond with the collector in an amount not less than 1.5 times the amount due 26 on the properties which he or she has purchased and for which 27 28 he or she has not paid.

In counties with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, unless the county board, by resolution, provides <u>for a period not</u> <u>exceeding 20 business days prior to the first day of sale</u> <u>authorized under Section 21-115</u> <del>otherwise</del>, no person shall be SB0556 - 2 - LRB094 09594 BDD 39847 b

1 eligible to bid who did not register with the county collector 2 at least 10 business days prior to the first day of sale 3 authorized under Section 21-115. The county board may, by resolution, require that any registrant must pay to the 4 collector, at the time of registration, a registration fee not 5 to exceed \$1,000, which must be applied to the costs incurred 6 7 by the office of the collector in conducting the tax sale. (Source: P.A. 92-640, eff. 7-11-02.) 8

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon10 becoming law.