

## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB3394

Introduced 2/26/2007, by Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 605/605-980 new 20 ILCS 605/605-981 new

Amends the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department may establish and administer a green cities grant program and a smart cities grant program.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

Section 5. The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Sections 605-980 and 605-981 as follows:

(20 ILCS 605/605-980 new)

Sec. 605-980. Smart cities grant program. Subject to appropriation, the Department may establish and administer a program to make grants to municipalities for urban preservation and redevelopment as well as green technology. The Department shall work in cooperation with local municipalities in order to provide funds to meet the municipalities' identified public infrastructure and urban improvement needs. The grant program shall be permissive and subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.

"Identified public infrastructure and urban improvement needs" include plans adopted by the municipality that have the following elements: an assessment of all public facilities and services, including, but not limited to, roads and other transportation facilities, sewers, schools, parks and open space, and fire and police services. Any municipality that is approved for grant moneys under this Section must develop a

- 5-year plan for the replacement and expansion of existing 1 2 public facilities or the construction of any new facilities 3 that are required to meet expected growth and economic 4 development. The plan shall be reviewed by the Department. The plan must include a projection of when and where those 5 facilities will be required and an assessment of the 6 anticipated costs for replacement, expansion, or construction 7 8 of public facilities.
- 9 <u>Municipalities receiving grant moneys under this Section</u>
  10 <u>are encouraged to use local small businesses within the</u>
  11 <u>municipality whenever possible.</u>
- 12 (20 ILCS 605/605-981 new)

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- 1.3 Sec. 605-981. Green cities grant program. Subject to appropriation, the Department may establish and administer a 14 15 program to make grants to municipalities whose buildings 16 conform with the United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design (LEED) rating 17 18 system. Grants may be used for new construction, existing buildings, commercial interiors, core and shell development, 19 20 homes, schools, or neighborhood development. Grant moneys 21 shall be used for buildings, at any stage, that qualify as LEED 22 certified buildings. The grant program shall be permissive and 23 subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.
  - Municipalities receiving grant moneys under this Section are encouraged to use local small businesses within the

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