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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2139

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2139, AS AMENDED,  
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the  
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Circuit Courts Act is amended by adding  
6 Section 28.1 as follows:

7 (705 ILCS 35/28.1 new)

8 Sec. 28.1. Residential landlord-tenant court. The chief  
9 judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit may establish a  
10 residential landlord-tenant court in Winnebago County. The  
11 chief judge may appoint to the residential landlord-tenant  
12 court one or more licensed attorneys as hearing officers to  
13 preside over the initial case proceedings in non-contested  
14 cases. The hearing officer may take evidence and reduce his or  
15 her findings of fact to a written report, and said report shall  
16 constitute part of the proceedings upon which the judge's

1 determination and order shall be made. If any party to an  
2 action under this Section requests a full hearing before a  
3 judge rather than a hearing officer, the case shall be  
4 scheduled for hearing before the presiding judge."