

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB1555

Introduced 2/18/2009, by Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/27-30 35 ILCS 200/27-55

Amends the Property Tax Code. In a Section concerning a public hearing held prior to the establishment of a special service area, provides that a list of the names and addresses of the individuals and entities to whom notice of the public hearing was sent by mail shall be made available at the public hearing. Provides that, if a person who is registered to vote has died or has permanently moved from the special service area, and if certified documentation is submitted along with an objection petition, then that person shall not be counted as an elector for purposes of determining whether or not at least 51% of the electors residing within the special service area have signed the objection petition.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing

Sections 27-30 and 27-55 as follows:

(35 ILCS 200/27-30)

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Sec. 27-30. Manner of notice. Prior to or within 60 days after the adoption of the ordinance proposing the establishment of a special service area the municipality or county shall fix a time and a place for a public hearing. Notice of the hearing shall be given by publication and mailing, except that notice of a public hearing to propose the establishment of a special service area for weather modification purposes may be given by publication only. Notice by publication shall be given by publication at least once not less than 15 days prior to the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality or county. Notice by mailing shall be given by depositing the notice in the United States mails addressed to the person or persons in whose name the general taxes for the last preceding year were paid on each property lying within the special service area. A notice shall be mailed not less than 10 days prior to the time set for the public hearing. In the event taxes for the last preceding year were not paid, the notice

- shall be sent to the person last listed on the tax rolls prior
- 2 to that year as the owner of the property. A list of the names
- 3 and addresses of the individuals and entities to whom the
- 4 notice by mail was sent shall be made available at the public
- 5 <u>hearing.</u>

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- 6 (Source: P.A. 82-282; 88-455.)
- 7 (35 ILCS 200/27-55)
- 8 Sec. 27-55. Objection petition. If a petition signed by at 9 least 51% of the electors residing within the special service 10 area and by at least 51% of the owners of record of the land 11 included within the boundaries of the special service area is 12 filed with the municipal clerk or county clerk, as the case may be, within 60 days following the final adjournment of the 13 public hearing, objecting to the creation of the special 14 15 service district, the enlargement of the area, the levy or 16 imposition of a tax or the issuance of bonds for the provision of special services to the area, or to a proposed increase in 17 the tax rate, the district shall not be created or enlarged, or 18 the tax shall not be levied or imposed nor the rate increased, 19 or no bonds may be issued. The subject matter of the petition 20 21 shall not be proposed relative to any signatories of the 22 petition within the next 2 years. Each resident of the special service area registered to vote at the time of the public 23 24 hearing held with regard to the special service area shall be

considered an elector. However, if certified documentation or a

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(Source: P.A. 82-640; 88-455.)

sworn affidavit is submitted along with an objection petition filed pursuant to this Section evidencing that an individual who is registered to vote has died or has permanently moved from the special service area and is no longer a resident of the special service area, then that individual shall not be counted as an elector for purposes of determining whether or not at least 51% of the electors residing within the special service area have signed the objection petition. Each person in whose name legal title to land included within the boundaries of the special service area is held according to the records of the county in which the land is located shall be considered an owner of record. Owners of record shall be determined at the time of the public hearing held with regard to a special service area. Land owned in the name of a land trust, corporation, estate or partnership shall be considered to have a single owner of record.