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1   AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2557

2   AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 2557 by replacing

3   everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4   "Section 5. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by adding

5   Section 6-111.5 as follows:

6   (605 ILCS 5/6-111.5 new)

7   Sec. 6-111.5. Elimination of county unit road districts. A

8   county unit road district may be eliminated by referendum. The

9   process, petition, and referendum requirements shall be

10   identical to those requirements used to form a county unit road

11   district under Section 6-111 of this Code, except that the

12   referendum question shall be "Shall the county unit road

13   district in .... County, Illinois be eliminated?".

14   (a) If a majority of voters at any general election votes

15   to eliminate a county unit road district, the county board of

16   the county shall determine what road system to adopt in place

1   of the eliminated county unit road district. The county board

2   shall form a committee of no more than 9 persons to study and

3   recommend to the board what type of road system and what

4   geographic boundaries should be put into place. The committee

5   should consider mileage of roads, tax base, population, and

6   natural and manmade geographic limitations in recommending the

7   geographic boundaries. The corporate limits of any

8   municipality within the county may be its own geographic unit

9   for the proposed new road system. The committee shall also

10   recommend the distribution of county unit road district assets

11   and resources.

12   (b) The committee may prepare more than one proposal, but

13   not more than 3 proposals, to present to the board for a final

14   decision. The committee shall be formed, a budget set, and a

15   chairperson determined by the board within 60 days of the

16   election to eliminate the county unit road district. The

17   committee shall present the proposal or proposals to the board

18   within 150 days of the election.

19   (c) The board shall hold public hearings as it determines

20   is necessary for public review and comment on the proposal or

21   proposals of the committee within 60 days of receiving the

22   proposal or proposals from the committee. Within 30 days after

23   the public hearing or hearings, the board may return the

24   proposal or any number of the proposals to the committee for a

25   review and consideration of amendments based upon the comments

26   from the public hearing or hearings. If the board returns the

1   proposal to the committee for review and possible amendment,

2   the committee has 30 days to complete its review, make any

3   amendments, and return the final proposal or proposals to the

4   board.

5   (d) No more than 30 days from the date of the last public

6   hearing, or from the receipt of the final proposal or proposals

7   from the committee if the board sent the proposal or proposals

8   back to the committee for review and consideration of

9   amendment, the board shall make a final determination as to

10   what form of road system shall replace the county unit road

11   district.

12   (e) The board shall determine and oversee all steps

13   required to divide the resources and assets of the road system

14   that replaces the county unit road district. The county unit

15   road district shall be eliminated and the new road system shall

16   be created simultaneously on a date set by the board, no later

17   than 365 days from the date of the election to eliminate the

18   county unit road district. The board shall designate the title

19   of and appoint the head or heads of the various divisions of

20   the new road system. The positions shall be voted on at the

21   next general election after the election to eliminate the

22   county unit road district and every 4 years thereafter. If the

23   board adopts a system where municipalities are a geographic

24   boundary, the commissioner in charge of the roads within a

25   municipality shall automatically be the supervisor based upon

26   the election process and terms for each municipality.

1   Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
2   2011.".