

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Cook County Forest Preserve District Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 14 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 810/14) (from Ch. 96 1/2, par. 6417)

7 Sec. 14. The board, as corporate authority of a forest  
8 preserve district, shall have power to pass and enforce all  
9 necessary ordinances, rules and regulations for the management  
10 of the property and conduct of the business of such district.  
11 The president of such board shall have power to appoint a  
12 secretary and an assistant secretary, and treasurer and an  
13 assistant treasurer and such other officers and such employees  
14 as may be necessary, all of whom, excepting the treasurer and  
15 attorneys, shall be under civil service rules and regulations,  
16 as provided in Section 17 of this Act. The assistant secretary  
17 and assistant treasurer shall perform the duties of the  
18 secretary and treasurer, respectively, in case of death of said  
19 officers or when said officers are unable to perform the duties  
20 of their respective offices because of absence or inability to  
21 act. All contracts for supplies, material or work involving an  
22 expenditure by forest preserve districts in excess of \$25,000  
23 shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, after due

1 advertisement, excepting work requiring personal confidence or  
2 necessary supplies under the control of monopolies, where  
3 competitive bidding is impossible. Contracts for supplies,  
4 material or work involving an expenditure of \$25,000 or less  
5 may be let without advertising for bids, but whenever  
6 practicable, at least 3 competitive bids shall be obtained  
7 before letting such contract. Notwithstanding the provisions  
8 of this Section, a forest preserve district may establish  
9 procedures to comply with State and federal regulations  
10 concerning affirmative action and the use of small businesses  
11 or businesses owned by minorities or women in construction and  
12 procurement contracts. All contracts for supplies, material or  
13 work shall be signed by the president of the board and by any  
14 such other officer as the board in its discretion may  
15 designate.

16 Salaries of employees shall be fixed by ordinance.

17 (Source: P.A. 94-951, eff. 6-27-06.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
19 becoming law.