

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 Counties Code is amended by changing Section
5 5-1028 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-1028) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-1028)

7 Sec. 5-1028. Tax for emergency ambulance service;
8 referendum. In any county which is not a home rule county, a
9 county board may levy and collect, annually, a tax of not to
10 exceed .25% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the
11 Department of Revenue, of all the taxable property in the
12 county not included within the territory of a fire protection
13 district which levies a tax for ambulance service, for the
14 payment of expenses not paid for from general funds which are
15 incurred in providing emergency ambulance service under the
16 provisions of Section 5-1053. Such tax shall not be included
17 within any statutory limitation of rate or amount for other
18 county purposes, but shall be excluded therefrom and be in
19 addition thereto and in excess thereof.

20 This tax shall not be levied in any county until the
21 question of its adoption is submitted to the electors of the
22 county not residing within the territory of a fire protection
23 district which levies a tax for ambulance service and approved

1 by a majority of those voting on the question. Upon the
 2 adoption of a resolution by the county board providing for the
 3 submission of the question of the adoption to the electors of
 4 the county the board shall certify the resolution and the
 5 proposition to the proper election officials who shall submit
 6 the proposition at an election in accordance with the general
 7 election law. If a majority of the votes cast on the question
 8 is in favor of the levy of such tax, it may thereafter be
 9 levied in such county for each succeeding year.

10 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the
 11 county board of a county that has more than 8,400 but less than
 12 9,000 inhabitants, according to the 2010 federal decennial
 13 census, may also use funds collected under this Section to
 14 provide 9-1-1 service, but only if the question of using those
 15 funds for that purpose has been submitted to the electors of
 16 the county not residing within the territory of the fire
 17 protection district that levies the tax for ambulance service
 18 and if that question is approved by a majority of those
 19 electors voting on the question. Upon the adoption of a
 20 resolution by the county board providing for the submission of
 21 that question to those electors, the board shall certify the
 22 resolution and the proposition to the proper election
 23 officials, who shall submit the proposition at an election in
 24 accordance with the Election Code. The election authority must
 25 submit the question in substantially the following form:

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