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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1200

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1200 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Park District Aquarium and Museum Act is
5 amended by changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 1290/1) (from Ch. 105, par. 326)

7 Sec. 1. Erect, operate, and maintain aquariums and museums.
8 The corporate authorities of cities and park districts having
9 the control or supervision of any public park or parks, are
10 hereby authorized to purchase, erect and maintain within any
11 public park or parks under the control or supervision of such
12 corporate authorities, edifices to be used as aquariums or as
13 museums of art, industry, science or natural or other history,
14 or to permit the directors or trustees of any corporation or
15 society organized for the construction or maintenance and
16 operation of an aquarium or museum as hereinabove described to

1 erect, enlarge, ornament, build, rebuild, rehabilitate,
2 improve, maintain and operate its aquarium or museum or museums
3 within any public park now or hereafter under the control or
4 supervision of any city or park district, and to contract with
5 any such directors or trustees of any such aquarium, museum or
6 museums relative to the erection, enlargement, ornamentation,
7 building, rebuilding, rehabilitation, improvement, maintenance
8 and operation thereof. Any city or park district may charge, or
9 permit such an aquarium or museum to charge, an admission fee.
10 Any such aquarium or museum, however, shall be open without
11 charge, when accompanied by a teacher, to the children in
12 actual attendance upon grades kindergarten through twelve in
13 any of the schools in this State at all times. Any such
14 aquarium or museum, however, must be open to persons who reside
15 in this State without charge for a period equivalent to 26 ~~52~~
16 days, at least 6 of which must be during the period from June
17 through August, each year. Notwithstanding said provisions,
18 charges may be made at any time for special services and for
19 admission to special facilities within any aquarium or museum
20 for the education, entertainment or convenience of visitors.
21 The proceeds of such admission fees and charges for special
22 services and special facilities shall be devoted exclusively to
23 the purposes for which the tax authorized by Section 2 hereof
24 may be used. If any owner or owners of any lands or lots
25 abutting or fronting on any such public park, or adjacent
26 thereto, have any private right, easement, interest or property

1 in such public park appurtenant to their lands or lots or
2 otherwise, which would be interfered with by the erection and
3 maintenance of any aquarium or museum as hereinbefore provided,
4 or any right to have such public park remain open or vacant and
5 free from buildings, the corporate authorities of the city or
6 park district having control of such park, may condemn the same
7 in the manner prescribed for the exercise of the right of
8 eminent domain under the Eminent Domain Act.

9 (Source: P.A. 97-187, eff. 7-22-11.)

10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
11 becoming law."