

SB1344



98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB1344

Introduced 2/5/2013, by Sen. Michael Noland

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 805/18.1a new

Amends the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act. Provides that no land owned or acquired by a forest preserve may be used for any sand, gravel, or other mining operation. Prohibits a forest preserve district from transferring any land or interest in land to an entity that the district has reason to know intends to construct any mining operation, and provides that when transferring land to an entity the district must impose a covenant in the transfer that prohibits the development of any mining operation. Exempts any previous or current mining operations in a district from this prohibition.

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A BILL FOR

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 Downstate Forest Preserve District Act is
5 amended by adding Section 18.1a as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 805/18.1a new)

7 Sec. 18.1a. Forest preserve mining operations.

8 (a) No land that is owned or acquired by a forest preserve
9 district may be used for the development or operation of any
10 new sand, gravel, or other mining operation.

11 (b) A forest preserve district may not transfer any land or
12 interest in land acquired by the district to any other entity
13 that the district has reason to know intends to construct any
14 new sand, gravel, or other mining operation.

15 A forest preserve district that wishes to transfer any land
16 or interest in land owned or acquired by the district to any
17 other entity must impose, as a condition of the transfer, a
18 covenant prohibiting the development of any new sand, gravel,
19 or other mining operation.

20 (c) Lands owned or acquired by a forest preserve district
21 that were previously mined, or are actively being mined at the
22 time of acquisition, are exempt from this provision.