

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 SB2721

Introduced 1/28/2014, by Sen. David S. Luechtefeld

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 350/17.5

Amends the Local Government Debt Reform Act. Provides that the approval of bonds authorized to be issued under the Counties Code and approved by Jackson County voters in a 1994 referendum, of which less than \$200,000 were issued, and for which the purpose of the bonds is flooding prevention, shall remain approved for 25 years after the date of the referendum. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

- 4 Section 5. The Local Government Debt Reform Act is amended
- 5 by changing Section 17.5 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 350/17.5)

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- 7 Sec. 17.5. Bond authorization by referendum.
- 8 Whenever applicable law provides that authorization of or the issuance of bonds is subject to either referendum or backdoor referendum, the approval, once 10 obtained, remains (i) for 5 years after the date of the 11 referendum or (ii) for 3 years after the end of the petition 12 13 period for a backdoor referendum. However, whenever 14 applicable law provides that the authorization of or the issuance of bonds under the Water Pollution Control Loan 15 16 Program or the Public Water Supply Loan Program, under Title 17 IV-A of the Environmental Protection Act, is subject to either a referendum or backdoor referendum, the approval, once 18 obtained, remains (i) for 7 years after the date of the 19 20 referendum or (ii) for 5 years after the end of the petition period for a backdoor referendum. In the case of bonds 21 22 authorized to be issued under the Downstate Forest Preserve

District Act and approved by Lake County voters in a November

- 1 2008 referendum, the approval, once obtained, remains for 10
- 2 years after the date of the referendum. <u>In the case of bonds</u>
- 3 authorized to be issued under the Counties Code and approved by
- 4 <u>Jackson County voters in a 1994 referendum</u>, of which less than
- 5 \$200,000 of the original bonds have been issued, and for which
- the purpose of the bonds is flooding prevention, the approval,
- 7 once obtained, remains for 25 years after the date of the
- 8 <u>referendum.</u>
- 9 (b) With respect to any bond approval under subsection (a),
- if, for any reason, the bonds are not issued because of a court
- 11 action, then the time limits set forth under subsection (a) for
- 12 the approval for the bonds is tolled during the time that the
- court action is pending. This subsection (b) applies to any
- bond issuance approved by referendum held on or after January
- 15 1, 2003 or by a backdoor referendum held on or after January 1,
- 16 2005.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 96-826, eff. 11-25-09; 97-364, eff. 8-15-11.)
- 18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 19 becoming law.