

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1537

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1537 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Emergency Evacuation Plan for People with Disabilities Act.

6 Section 5. Emergency evacuation plan for persons with
7 disabilities required. By January 1, 2004, every high rise
8 building owner must establish and maintain an emergency
9 evacuation plan for disabled occupants of the building. As
10 used in this Act, "high rise building" means any building 80
11 feet or more in height. The owner is responsible for
12 maintaining and updating the plan as necessary to ensure that
13 the plan continues to comply with the provisions of this Act.

14 Section 10. Plan requirements.

15 (a) Each plan must establish procedures for locating and
16 evacuating persons with disabilities from the building in the
17 event of an emergency.

18 (b) Each plan must provide for a list to be maintained
19 of persons who have notified the owner that they are disabled
20 and would require special assistance in the event of an
21 emergency. The list must include the unit, office, or room

1 number location that the disabled person occupies in the
2 building. The intent of this Act is to provide that these
3 lists must be maintained for the sole purpose of emergency
4 evacuation. The lists may not be used or disseminated for
5 any other purpose.

6 (c) The plan must provide for a means to notify
7 occupants of the building that a list identifying persons
8 with a disability in need of emergency evacuation assistance
9 is maintained by the owner, and the method by which occupants
10 can place their name on the list.

11 (d) In hotels and motels, each plan must provide an
12 opportunity for a guest to identify himself or herself as a
13 person with a disability in need of emergency evacuation
14 assistance.

15 (e) The plan must identify the location and type of any
16 evacuation assistance devices or assistive technologies that
17 are available in the building.

18 If the plan provides for areas of rescue assistance, the
19 plan must provide that these areas are to be identified by
20 signs that state "Area of Rescue Assistance" and display the
21 international symbol of accessibility. Lettering must be
22 permanent and must comply with Americans with Disabilities
23 Act Accessibility Guidelines.

24 (f) Each plan must include recommended procedures to be
25 followed by building employees, tenants, or guests to assist
26 persons with disabilities in need of emergency evacuation
27 assistance.

28 (g) A copy of the plan must be maintained at all times
29 in a place that is easily accessible by law enforcement or
30 fire safety personnel, such as in the management office of
31 the high rise building, at the security desk, or in the
32 vicinity of the fireman's elevator recall key, the life
33 safety panel, or the fire pump room.

1 Section 15. Implementation

2 (a) The plan must be made available to local law
3 enforcement and fire safety personnel upon request.

4 (b) The plan must provide the names of and contact
5 information regarding any building personnel to be contacted
6 by law enforcement or fire safety personnel in the event of
7 an emergency requiring implementation of the plan.

8 (c) The plan must provide for dissemination or
9 availability of the plan to building employees, tenants, or
10 guests.

11 (d) The plan must identify the roles and
12 responsibilities of building personnel in carrying out the
13 evacuation plan. The plan must provide for appropriate
14 training for building personnel regarding their roles and
15 responsibilities.

16 (e) The plan must provide for drills regarding
17 evacuation procedures not less than once per year. A written
18 record of the date of the drill must be kept with the
19 evacuation plan.

20 Section 905. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
21 Section 8.26 as follows:

22 (30 ILCS 805/8.26 new)

23 Sec. 8.26. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6
24 and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required
25 for the implementation of any mandate created by this
26 amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly.

27 Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
28 becoming law."