

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3622

by Rep. Jim Durkin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 1010/2-1 new

Amends the Independent Tax Tribunal Act. Provides that civil actions concerning non-property taxes administered by the Department of Revenue shall not be brought in the circuit court, and that the Department of Revenue and the Independent Tax Tribunal shall have exclusive authority to hear such cases, subject to judicial review under the Administrative Review Law. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal Act of
2012 is amended by adding Section 2-1 as follows:

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(35 ILCS 1010/2-1 new)

7 Sec. 2-1. Uniform enforcement of tax laws. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no civil actions 8 9 concerning the liability for, or the application of, any 10 non-property tax administered by the Department of Revenue shall be brought in the circuit court of this State, but the 11 12 Department of Revenue or the Independent Tax Tribunal shall have the exclusive jurisdiction to hear such actions as 13 14 provided by law. All final decisions of the Department of Revenue or the Independent Tax Tribunal are subject to judicial 15 16 review under the Administrative Review Law. Proceedings for judicial review shall be commenced in the circuit court of the 17 county in which the party applying for review resides, but if 18 the party is not a resident of this State, the venue shall be 19 20 in Sangamon County. 21 This Section does not prohibit: (1) actions brought under

22 the State Officers and Employees Money Disposition Act, (2) 23 actions allowed under equity against a person to enjoin the

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1	collection of an improperly imposed tax where no administrative
2	remedy is available by the person bringing the action and the
3	Department of Revenue is a party or is joined as a party, (3)
4	actions for unjust enrichment allowed under equity against a
5	person (or the Department of Revenue if no administrative
6	remedy is available) for improperly collecting a tax, (4)
7	actions allowed under law or equity in the Court of Claims, (5)
8	actions brought directly by the Attorney General under the
9	False Claims Act, or (6) actions allowed under law or equity
10	that challenge the legality or constitutionality of a law,
11	rule, or action of the Department of Revenue. This Section does
12	not confer standing to challenge any tax or to bring or join an
13	action before the Department of Revenue or Independent Tax
14	Tribunal, if such standing does not exist apart from this
15	Section. This Section does not eliminate or limit any defense
16	available to a person or the Department of Revenue to an action
17	brought in the courts of this State, including the Court of
18	<u>Claims.</u>

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