



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB0295

by Rep. David McSweeney

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Truth in Legislative Taxation Act. Provides that every new Act that creates a new tax or fee or increases an existing tax or fee shall include the words "Tax Increase", "Fee Increase", or "Tax and Fee Increase" in its short title. Requires the sponsor of the new Act to inform the Legislative Reference Bureau that the new Act creates a new tax or fee or increases an existing tax or fee each time a drafting request is made related to that new Act. Requires the sponsor to provide a statement of legislative intent to the Legislative Reference Bureau that describes each new or increased tax or fee in the new Act and that sets forth the reason for each new or increased tax or fee. Directs the Legislative Reference Bureau to: ensure that the short title of the new Act conforms to the naming requirements of this Act; include the statement of legislative intent provided by the sponsor in the Section of the new Act immediately following the short title; and in its synopsis of the bill or amendment, state that the new Act creates a new tax or fee or increases an existing tax or fee. Where the new Act is drafted in the form of bill, directs the Legislative Reference Bureau to affix to the first page of the bill a stamp or words indicating that the new Act is one to which this Act applies. Provides corresponding requirements for amendatory Acts. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Truth  
5 in Legislative Taxation Act.

6 Section 5. New Acts.

7 (a) Each time a drafting request that (i) creates a new tax  
8 or fee as part of a new Act or (ii) increases an existing tax or  
9 fee as part of a new Act is submitted to the Legislative  
10 Reference Bureau, the sponsor shall inform the Legislative  
11 Reference Bureau that the request creates a new tax or fee or  
12 increases an existing tax or fee.

13 (b) The sponsor of a new Act described in subsection (a)  
14 shall inform the Legislative Reference Bureau that the new Act  
15 creates a new tax or fee, or increases an existing tax or fee,  
16 each time a drafting request is made related to that new Act.  
17 The sponsor shall also provide a statement of legislative  
18 intent to the Legislative Reference Bureau that describes each  
19 new or increased tax or fee in the new Act and sets forth the  
20 reason for each new or increased tax or fee.

21 (c) Based on the information provided under subsection (b),  
22 the Legislative Reference Bureau shall: (i) ensure that the  
23 short title of the new Act conforms to the requirements of

1 subsection (a); (ii) include the statement of legislative  
2 intent provided by the sponsor in the Section of the new Act  
3 immediately following the short title; and (iii) in its  
4 synopsis of the bill or amendment, state that the new Act  
5 creates a new tax or fee or increases an existing tax or fee.  
6 If the new Act is drafted in the form of bill, the Legislative  
7 Reference Bureau shall also affix to the first page of the bill  
8 a stamp or words indicating that the new Act is one to which  
9 this Act applies.

10 Section 10. Amendatory Acts.

11 (a) Each time a drafting request that (i) creates a new tax  
12 or fee as part of an amendatory Act or (ii) increases an  
13 existing tax or fee as part of an amendatory Act is submitted  
14 to the Legislative Reference Bureau, the sponsor shall inform  
15 the Legislative Reference Bureau that the request creates a new  
16 tax or fee or increases an existing tax or fee.

17 (b) Based on the information provided under subsection (a),  
18 the Legislative Reference Bureau shall: (i) include the  
19 statement of legislative intent provided by the sponsor in the  
20 first Section of the amendatory Act; and (ii) in its synopsis  
21 of the bill or amendment, state that the amendatory Act creates  
22 a new tax or fee or increases an existing tax or fee. If the  
23 amendatory Act is drafted in the form of bill, the Legislative  
24 Reference Bureau shall also affix to the first page of the bill  
25 a stamp or words indicating that the amendatory Act is one to

1 which this Act applies.

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