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HB1013

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/5-1005 from Ch. 34, par. 5-1005

Amends the Counties Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning powers of counties.

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AN ACT concerning local government.

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

Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing Section
5-1005 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-1005) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-1005)

Sec. 5-1005. Powers. Each county shall have power:

8 1. To purchase <u>and</u> and hold the real and personal 9 estate necessary for the uses of the county, and to 10 purchase and hold, for the benefit of the county, real 11 estate sold by virtue of judicial proceedings in which the 12 county is plaintiff.

13 2. To sell and convey or lease any real or personal14 estate owned by the county.

3. To make all contracts and do all other acts in
relation to the property and concerns of the county
necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers.

4. To take all necessary measures and institute
proceedings to enforce all laws for the prevention of
cruelty to animals.

5. To purchase and hold or lease real estate upon which may be erected and maintained buildings to be utilized for purposes of agricultural experiments and to purchase, hold HB1013

and use personal property for the care and maintenance of such real estate in connection with such experimental purposes.

6. To cause to be erected, or otherwise provided, 4 5 suitable buildings for, and maintain a county hospital and necessary branch hospitals and/or a county sheltered care 6 7 home or county nursing home for the care of such sick, 8 chronically ill or infirm persons as may by law be proper 9 charges upon the county, or upon other governmental units, 10 and to provide for the management of the same. The county 11 board may establish rates to be paid by persons seeking 12 care and treatment in such hospital or home in accordance 13 with their financial ability to meet such charges, either 14 personally or through a hospital plan or hospital 15 insurance, and the rates to be paid by governmental units, 16 including the State, for the care of sick, chronically ill 17 or infirm persons admitted therein upon the request of such governmental units. Any hospital maintained by a county 18 19 under this Section is authorized to provide any service and 20 enter into any contract or other arrangement not prohibited 21 for a hospital that is licensed under the Hospital 22 Licensing Act, incorporated under the General 23 Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, and exempt from taxation 24 under paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of Section 501 of the 25 Internal Revenue Code.

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7. To contribute such sums of money toward erecting,

building, maintaining, and supporting any non-sectarian
 public hospital located within its limits as the county
 board of the county shall deem proper.

8. To purchase and hold real estate for the
preservation of forests, prairies and other natural areas
and to maintain and regulate the use thereof.

9. To purchase and hold real estate for the purpose of
preserving historical spots in the county, to restore,
maintain and regulate the use thereof and to donate any
historical spot to the State.

10. To appropriate funds from the county treasury to be 12 used in any manner to be determined by the board for the 13 suppression, eradication and control of tuberculosis among 14 domestic cattle in such county.

15 11. To take all necessary measures to prevent forest
16 fires and encourage the maintenance and planting of trees
17 and the preservation of forests.

12. To authorize the closing on Saturday mornings of 18 19 all offices of all county officers at the county seat of 20 each county, and to otherwise regulate and fix the days and 21 the hours of opening and closing of such offices, except 22 when the days and the hours of opening and closing of the 23 office of any county officer are otherwise fixed by law; 24 but the power herein conferred shall not apply to the 25 office of State's Attorney and the offices of judges and 26 clerks of courts and, in counties of 500,000 or more

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1 population, the offices of county clerk.

13. To provide for the conservation, preservation and
propagation of insectivorous birds through the expenditure
of funds provided for such purpose.

5 14. To appropriate funds from the county treasury and 6 expend the same for care and treatment of tuberculosis 7 residents.

8 15. In counties having less than 1,000,000 9 inhabitants, to take all necessary or proper steps for the 10 extermination of mosquitoes, flies or other insects within 11 the county.

12 16. To install an adequate system of accounts and financial records in the offices and divisions of the 13 14 county, suitable to the needs of the office and in 15 accordance with generally accepted principles of 16 accounting for governmental bodies, which system may 17 include such reports as the county board may determine.

18 17. To purchase and hold real estate for the 19 construction and maintenance of motor vehicle parking 20 facilities for persons using county buildings, but the 21 purchase and use of such real estate shall not be for 22 revenue producing purposes.

18. To acquire and hold title to real property located within the county, or partly within and partly outside the county by dedication, purchase, gift, legacy or lease, for park and recreational purposes and to charge reasonable

fees for the use of or admission to any such park or 1 2 recreational area and to provide police protection for such 3 park or recreational area. Personnel employed to provide such police protection shall be conservators of the peace 4 5 within such park or recreational area and shall have power 6 to make arrests on view of the offense or upon warrants for 7 violation of any of the ordinances governing such park or 8 recreational area or for any breach of the peace in the 9 same manner as the police in municipalities organized and 10 existing under the general laws of the State. All such real 11 property outside the county shall be contiguous to the 12 county and within the boundaries of the State of Illinois.

13 19. To appropriate funds from the county treasury to be 14 used to provide supportive social services designed to 15 prevent the unnecessary institutionalization of elderly 16 residents, or, for operation of, and equipment for, senior 17 citizen centers providing social services to elderly 18 residents.

19 20. To appropriate funds from the county treasury and 20 loan such funds to a county water commission created under 21 the "Water Commission Act", approved June 30, 1984, as now 22 or hereafter amended, in such amounts and upon such terms 23 the county may determine or the county and as the 24 commission may agree. The county shall not under any 25 circumstances be obligated to make such loans. The county 26 shall not be required to charge interest on any such loans.

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1 21. To appropriate and expend funds from the county 2 treasury for economic development purposes, including the 3 making of grants to any other governmental entity or 4 commercial enterprise deemed necessary or desirable for 5 the promotion of economic development in the county.

6 22. To lease space on a telecommunications tower to a 7 public or private entity.

8 23. In counties having a population of 100,000 or less 9 and a public building commission organized by the county 10 seat of the county, to cause to be erected or otherwise 11 provided, and to maintain or cause to be maintained, 12 suitable facilities to house students pursuing a 13 post-secondary education academic institution at an 14 located within the county. The county may provide for the 15 management of the facilities.

All contracts for the purchase of coal under this Section shall be subject to the provisions of "An Act concerning the use of Illinois mined coal in certain plants and institutions", filed July 13, 1937, as amended.

20 (Source: P.A. 95-197, eff. 8-16-07; 95-813, eff. 1-1-09; 21 96-622, eff. 8-24-09.)