

1 AN ACT concerning children's advocacy.

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

4 Section 5. The Children's Advocacy Center Act is amended  
5 by changing Section 5 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 80/5) (from Ch. 23, par. 1805)

7 Sec. 5. Referendum.

8 (a) Whenever a petition signed by 1% of the electors who  
9 voted in the last general election in any county is presented  
10 to the county board requesting the submission of the  
11 proposition whether an annual tax of not to exceed .004% of  
12 the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of  
13 Revenue, of all taxable property in the county shall be  
14 levied for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a  
15 Children's Advocacy Center, the county board shall adopt a  
16 resolution for the submission of the proposition to the  
17 electors at the next regular election held in the county in  
18 accordance with the general election law.

19 (b) Upon the adoption and certification of the  
20 resolution, the proposition shall be submitted at the next  
21 regular election held in the county. The proposition shall be  
22 in substantially the following form:

23 "Shall an annual tax of not more than to  
24 exceed ..... per cent be levied on the value of  
25 all taxable property in ..... County (this  
26 tax will amount to an annual increase of  
27 approximately ..... on a home with a market value of  
28 \$100,000) for the purpose of establishing and  
29 maintaining a Children's Advocacy Center to  
30 coordinate the investigation, prosecution, and  
31 treatment referral of child sexual abuse in .....

1           County serve-the-county?".

2           The election authority must record the votes as "Yes" or  
3           "No".

4           (c) If a majority of the electors of the county voting  
5           on the proposition vote in favor thereof, the proposition  
6           shall be deemed adopted.

7           (d) The adoption of a referendum is not required to  
8           establish a Children's Advocacy Center if the Center may be  
9           or is operated with funds other than the proceeds of the  
10          annual tax that is authorized by referendum.

11          (Source: P.A. 92-785, eff. 8-6-02.)

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