# 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

## 2005 and 2006

#### HB0649

Introduced 1/28/2005, by Rep. Jack D. Franks

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/20-3 new

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for taxable years 2005 and 2006, the rate on any tax imposed under the Act may not be increased from the rate imposed in the 2004 taxable year. A school district, however, may increase property tax rates by referendum. Provides that, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for taxable years 2005 and 2006, the equalized assessed value of property shall be the same as the equalized assessed value of that property for the 2004 taxable year. If, however, a parcel of property is improved during taxable year 2005 or 2006, the assessment of that property shall be the assessment for the 2004 taxable year plus the increase in assessed value solely as a result of the improvement and, once the 2004 assessment is increased to reflect an improvement, the assessment for that property shall remain the same for the duration of the assessment freeze period. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by adding
Section 20-3 as follows:

- 6 (35 ILCS 200/20-3 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 20-3. Two-year moratorium on property tax increases.</u>

8 (a) Rate freeze. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and except as otherwise provided in this subsection 9 (a), for taxable years 2005 and 2006, the rate on any tax 10 imposed under this Act may not be increased from the rate 11 imposed in the 2004 taxable year. A school district, however, 12 may increase property tax rates if the question of increasing 13 the tax rate is submitted to the electors of the school 14 15 district at a regular election and approved by a majority of the electors voting on the question. 16

17 (b) Assessment freeze. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and except as otherwise provided in this subsection 18 19 (b), for taxable years 2005 and 2006, the equalized assessed value of property subject to taxation under this Code shall be 20 21 the same as the equalized assessed value of that property for the 2004 taxable year. If, however, a parcel of property 22 subject to taxation under this Code is improved by the 23 construction of new or added buildings, structures, or other 24 improvements during taxable year 2005 or 2006, the assessment 25 26 of that property shall be the assessment for the 2004 taxable year plus the increase in assessed value solely as a result of 27 the improvement. Once the 2004 assessment is increased to 28 reflect an improvement, the assessment for that property shall 29 30 remain the same for the duration of the assessment freeze period. 31

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Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

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1 becoming law.