

# HB5307



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
**2005 and 2006**  
**HB5307**

Introduced 01/25/06, by Rep. Kathleen A. Ryg

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

55 ILCS 5/5-15023 new

Amends the Counties Code. Allows any county board of health to declare a water emergency and to regulate well use in the areas affected by the water emergency. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by adding Section  
5 5-15023 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-15023 new)

7 Sec. 5-15023. Water emergencies; well use. A county board  
8 of health may declare a water emergency within the county. If a  
9 board of health declares a water emergency under this Section,  
10 it may regulate well use within the area affected by the water  
11 emergency. For the purposes of this Section, "water emergency"  
12 means a critical event or series of events that disrupts the  
13 availability of clean drinking water, including, but not  
14 limited to, drought, overuse, and contamination of the water  
15 supply. The county shall have the power to enforce any  
16 regulations adopted under this Section.

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