



Sen. Michael W. Frerichs

Filed: 4/28/2009

09600HB0883sam001

LRB096 07804 RLJ 25637 a

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 883

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 883 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing
5 Section 5-12020 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-12020)

7 Sec. 5-12020. Wind farms. A county may establish standards
8 for wind farms and electric-generating wind devices. The
9 standards may include, without limitation, the height of the
10 devices and the number of devices that may be located within a
11 geographic area. A county may also regulate the siting of wind
12 farms and electric-generating wind devices in unincorporated
13 areas of the county outside of the zoning jurisdiction of a
14 municipality and the 1.5 mile radius surrounding the zoning
15 jurisdiction of a municipality. There shall be at least one
16 public hearing not more than 30 days prior to a siting decision

1 by the county board. Notice of the hearing shall be published
2 in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. Counties
3 may allow test wind towers to be sited without formal approval
4 by the county board. ~~Test wind towers must be dismantled within~~
5 ~~3 years of installation. For the purposes of this Section,~~
6 ~~"test wind towers" are wind towers that are designed solely to~~
7 ~~collect wind generation data.~~ Any provision of a county zoning
8 ordinance pertaining to wind farms that is in effect before the
9 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General
10 Assembly may continue in effect notwithstanding any
11 requirements of this Section.

12 (Source: P.A. 95-203, eff. 8-16-07.)

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