# 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## HB2594

Introduced 2/20/2009, by Rep. Harry Osterman

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/20-15

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that in Cook County, tax bills must include, for each taxing district, a statement of the increase or decrease of the tax imposed on the taxpayer by that taxing district from the previous taxable year. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

4 Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing 5 Section 20-15 as follows:

(35 ILCS 200/20-15) 6

7 Sec. 20-15. Information on bill or separate statement. 8 There shall be printed on each bill, or on a separate slip 9 which shall be mailed with the bill:

(a) a statement itemizing the rate at which taxes have 10 been extended for each of the taxing districts in the 11 12 county in whose district the property is located, and in 13 those counties utilizing electronic data processing 14 equipment the dollar amount of tax due from the person assessed allocable to each of those taxing districts, 15 16 including a separate statement of the dollar amount of tax 17 due which is allocable to a tax levied under the Illinois Local Library Act or to any other tax levied by a 18 19 municipality or township for public library purposes,

20 (b) a separate statement for each of the taxing districts of the dollar amount of tax due which is 21 22 allocable to a tax levied under the Illinois Pension Code or to any other tax levied by a municipality or township 23

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1 for public pension or retirement purposes, 2 (c) the total tax rate, (d) the total amount of tax due, and 3 (e) the amount by which the total tax and the tax 4 5 allocable to each taxing district differs from the taxpayer's last prior tax bill. 6 7 The county treasurer shall ensure that only those taxing 8 districts in which a parcel of property is located shall be 9 listed on the bill for that property. 10 In all counties the statement shall also provide: 11 (1) the property index number or other suitable 12 description, 13 (2) the assessment of the property, (3) the equalization factors imposed by the county and 14 15 by the Department, and 16 (4) the equalized assessment resulting from the 17 application of the equalization factors to the basic assessment. 18 In all counties which do not classify property for purposes 19

of taxation, for property on which a single family residence is situated the statement shall also include a statement to reflect the fair cash value determined for the property. In all counties which classify property for purposes of taxation in accordance with Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution, for parcels of residential property in the lowest assessment classification the statement shall also include a

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property.

In all counties, the statement must include information that certain taxpayers may be eligible for tax exemptions, abatements, and other assistance programs and that, for more information, taxpayers should consult with the office of their township or county assessor and with the Illinois Department of Revenue.

9 In all counties, the statement shall include information 10 that certain taxpayers may be eligible for the Senior Citizens 11 and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical 12 Assistance Act and that applications are available from the 13 Illinois Department on Aging.

In counties which use the estimated or accelerated billing 14 15 methods, these statements shall only be provided with the final 16 installment of taxes due. The provisions of this Section create 17 a mandatory statutory duty. They are not merely directory or discretionary. The failure or neglect of the collector to mail 18 19 the bill, or the failure of the taxpayer to receive the bill, 20 shall not affect the validity of any tax, or the liability for 21 the payment of any tax.

In Cook County, the statement must include, for each taxing district, a statement of the increase or decrease of the tax imposed on the taxpayer by that taxing district from the previous taxable year.

26 (Source: P.A. 95-644, eff. 10-12-07.)

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