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## State of Illinois

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#### SB2510

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/15-65

Amends the Property Tax Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning exemptions for property used for charitable purposes.

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1 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 changing
Section 15-65 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/15-65)

Sec. 15-65. Charitable purposes. All property of <u>the</u> the following is exempt when actually and exclusively used for charitable or beneficent purposes, and not leased or otherwise used with a view to profit:

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(a) Institutions of public charity.

and 12 (b) Beneficent charitable organizations 13 incorporated in any state of the United States, including 14 organizations whose owner, and no other person, uses the property exclusively for the distribution, sale, or resale 15 16 of donated goods and related activities and uses all the 17 income from those activities to support the charitable, religious or beneficent activities of the owner, whether or 18 19 not such activities occur on the property.

(c) Old people's homes, facilities for persons with a
 developmental disability, and not-for-profit organizations
 providing services or facilities related to the goals of
 educational, social and physical development, if, upon

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1 making application for the exemption, the applicant 2 provides affirmative evidence that the home or facility or 3 organization is an exempt organization under paragraph (3) of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code or its 4 5 successor, and either: (i) the bylaws of the home or 6 facility or not-for-profit organization provide for a 7 waiver or reduction, based on an individual's ability to 8 pay, of any entrance fee, assignment of assets, or fee for 9 services, or (ii) the home or facility is qualified, built 10 or financed under Section 202 of the National Housing Act 11 of 1959, as amended.

12 An applicant that has been granted an exemption under 13 this subsection on the basis that its bylaws provide for a 14 waiver or reduction, based on an individual's ability to 15 pay, of any entrance fee, assignment of assets, or fee for 16 services may be periodically reviewed by the Department to 17 determine if the waiver or reduction was a past policy or a current policy. The Department may revoke the 18 is 19 exemption if it finds that the policy for waiver or 20 reduction is no longer current.

21 If a not-for-profit organization leases property that 22 otherwise exempt under this subsection is to an 23 organization that conducts an activity on the leased 24 premises that would entitle the lessee to an exemption from 25 real estate taxes if the lessee were the owner of the 26 property, then the leased property is exempt.

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(d) Not-for-profit health maintenance organizations 1 2 certified by the Director of the Illinois Department of Insurance under the Health Maintenance Organization Act, 3 anv health maintenance organization 4 including that 5 provides services to members at prepaid rates approved by the Illinois Department of Insurance if the membership of 6 7 the organization is sufficiently large or of indefinite 8 so that the community is benefited by its classes 9 operation. No exemption shall apply to any hospital or 10 health maintenance organization which has been adjudicated 11 by a court of competent jurisdiction to have denied 12 admission to any person because of race, color, creed, sex 13 or national origin.

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(e) All free public libraries.

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(f) Historical societies.

16 Property otherwise qualifying for an exemption under this 17 Section shall not lose its exemption because the legal title is held (i) by an entity that is organized solely to hold that 18 19 title and that qualifies under paragraph (2) of Section 501(c) 20 of the Internal Revenue Code or its successor, whether or not 21 that entity receives rent from the charitable organization for 22 the repair and maintenance of the property, (ii) by an entity 23 that is organized as a partnership or limited liability 24 company, in which the charitable organization, or an affiliate 25 or subsidiary of the charitable organization, is a general 26 partner of the partnership or managing member of the limited

liability company, for the purposes of owning and operating a 1 2 residential rental property that has received an allocation of Low Income Housing Tax Credits for 100% of the dwelling units 3 under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 4 5 amended, or (iii) for any assessment year including and 6 subsequent to January 1, 1996 for which an application for 7 exemption has been filed and a decision on which has not become 8 final and nonappealable, by a limited liability company 9 organized under the Limited Liability Company Act provided that 10 (A) the limited liability company's sole member or members, as that term is used in Section 1-5 of the Limited Liability 11 12 Company Act, are the institutions of public charity that 13 actually and exclusively use the property for charitable and 14 beneficent purposes; (B) the limited liability company is a 15 disregarded entity for federal and Illinois income tax purposes 16 and, as a result, the limited liability company is deemed 17 exempt from income tax liability by virtue of the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) status of its sole member or 18 19 members; and (C) the limited liability company does not lease 20 the property or otherwise use it with a view to profit.

21 (Source: P.A. 96-763, eff. 8-25-09.)

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