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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2142

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 2142 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Emergency Services Districts Act is  
5 amended by changing Sections 2, 3, and 8 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 2005/2) (from Ch. 85, par. 6852)

7 Sec. 2. Any contiguous territory having a population of  
8 not less than 300 inhabitants and no part of which is already  
9 included in an emergency services district, and no part of  
10 which is located in a fire protection district that provides  
11 rescue services, may be organized as an emergency services  
12 district as provided in this Act. However, an emergency  
13 services district may be organized in whole or in part within a  
14 fire protection district that provides rescue services if the  
15 emergency services district is formed and operated solely to  
16 provide ambulance services.

1 Any 5% of the legal voters within the limits of the  
2 proposed emergency services district may petition the circuit  
3 court for the county in which the territory lies to order the  
4 question whether the territory shall be organized as an  
5 emergency services district under this Act to be submitted to  
6 the legal voters of the territory, but every petition shall be  
7 signed by at least 25 legal voters residing within the  
8 territory proposed to be organized as an emergency services  
9 district, and in case the territory includes more than one  
10 city, village or incorporated town, or any portions thereof,  
11 or includes one or more cities, villages or incorporated  
12 towns, or any portion thereof, and territory not a part of any  
13 city, village or incorporated town, then the petition must be  
14 signed by at least 5% of the legal voters residing in each of  
15 those cities, villages, or incorporated towns, or portions  
16 thereof, and by at least 5% of the legal voters residing in the  
17 territory not a part of any city, village or incorporated  
18 town. The petition shall contain a definite description of the  
19 boundaries of the territory proposed to be organized as an  
20 emergency services district, and shall set forth the name of  
21 the proposed district, which name shall be The .... Emergency  
22 Services District. If a fire protection district provides  
23 ambulance service, then an emergency services district formed  
24 and operated solely to provide ambulance service may be formed  
25 in part or in whole within that fire protection district as  
26 long as (i) the board of trustees of the fire protection

1 district adopts a resolution to cease its tax levy for  
2 emergency ambulance service under Section 22 of the Fire  
3 Protection District Act and (ii) the emergency services  
4 district is operating an ambulance service that serves the  
5 portion of the emergency services district located in the fire  
6 protection district.

7 (Source: P.A. 103-134, eff. 1-1-24.)

8 (70 ILCS 2005/3) (from Ch. 85, par. 6853)

9 Sec. 3. Upon the filing of a petition in the office of the  
10 circuit clerk, the court to whom the petition is addressed  
11 shall give notice of the time and place of a hearing on the  
12 question of the necessity for the organization of an emergency  
13 services district and of the boundaries of the proposed  
14 district. The notice shall be published at least once each  
15 week for 2 successive weeks in one or more newspapers of  
16 general circulation in the proposed district. If there is no  
17 newspaper of general circulation in the proposed district,  
18 then ~~and~~ a copy of the notice shall be posted in at least 10 of  
19 the most public places in the proposed district at least 10  
20 days before the hearing. ~~The hearing shall be held within 20~~  
21 ~~days after the petition is filed with the circuit clerk.~~

22 The court shall preside at the hearing, and all persons  
23 resident within the territory proposed to be organized as an  
24 emergency services district shall be given an opportunity to  
25 be heard touching the necessity of the organization of a

1 district and to make suggestions regarding the boundaries of  
2 the district. After hearing the statements, evidence and  
3 suggestions, if the court determines that considerations of  
4 public health and welfare make the organization of a district  
5 necessary, it shall fix the boundaries of the proposed  
6 emergency services district and, for that purpose and to that  
7 extent, may alter and amend the petition. In case the  
8 boundaries as fixed by the court include any territory not  
9 included in the boundaries as described in the original  
10 petition, the court shall cause a notice to be inserted at  
11 least twice in some newspaper of general circulation in the  
12 additional territory, which notice shall state the time and  
13 place at which a hearing will be held to permit the owners of  
14 the land in the additional territory to appear and be heard on  
15 the question of including the additional territory. The notice  
16 shall be published at least 10 days before the hearing, and the  
17 hearing shall be held within 3 weeks after the court first  
18 fixes the boundaries. The hearing shall be held at a time that  
19 allows a referendum to create the proposed district to appear  
20 on the ballot at the next general election. At the hearing the  
21 boundaries of the proposed district shall be finally fixed by  
22 the court.

23 (Source: P.A. 103-134, eff. 1-1-24.)

24 (70 ILCS 2005/8) (from Ch. 85, par. 6858)

25 Sec. 8. The board of trustees of the district shall have

1 power to:

2 (1) provide ambulance services to the emergency  
3 services district;

4 (2) take all necessary or proper steps to provide  
5 rescue services within the district;

6 (3) borrow money;

7 (4) mortgage, pledge, or grant a security interest in  
8 any real or personal property of the district;

9 (5) ~~to~~ purchase equipment, supplies, and materials;

10 (6) buy, sell, and own real estate for the purpose  
11 associated with the operation of the emergency services  
12 district;

13 (7) ~~to~~ recruit, employ, or contract with ambulance,  
14 rescue squad, or both ambulance and rescue squad  
15 personnel, who shall be compensated at a rate determined  
16 by the board of trustees; and

17 (8) ~~generally to~~ do any and all things necessary or  
18 incident to the powers granted by this Act and to carry out  
19 the objects of this Act.

20 (Source: P.A. 103-134, eff. 1-1-24.)

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