

SB2528



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/6/2018, by Sen. Laura M. Murphy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 665/8b

Amends the Illinois Promotion Act. Removes a sunset date from provisions concerning grants from the Tourism Promotion Fund. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Promotion Act is amended by
5 changing Section 8b as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 665/8b)

7 Sec. 8b. Municipal convention center and sports facility
8 attraction grants.

9 (a) ~~The~~ Until July 1, 2020, the Department is authorized to
10 make grants, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly,
11 from the Tourism Promotion Fund to a unit of local government,
12 municipal convention center, or convention center authority
13 that provides incentives, as defined in subsection (i) of
14 Section 3 of this Act, for the purpose of attracting
15 conventions, meetings, and trade shows to municipal convention
16 centers and attracting sporting events to municipal amateur
17 sports facilities. Grants awarded under this Section shall be
18 based on the net proceeds received under the Hotel Operators'
19 Occupation Tax Act for the renting, leasing, or letting of
20 hotel rooms in the municipality for the month in which the
21 convention, meeting, trade show, or sporting event occurs.
22 Grants shall not exceed 80% of the incentive amount provided by
23 the unit of local government, municipal convention center, or

1 convention center authority. Further, in no event may the
2 aggregate amount of grants awarded to a single municipal
3 convention center, convention center authority, or municipal
4 amateur sports facility exceed \$200,000 in any calendar year.
5 The Department may, by rule, require any other provisions it
6 deems necessary in order to protect the State's interest in
7 administering this program.

8 (b) No later than May 15 of each year, ~~through May 15,~~
9 ~~2020,~~ the unit of local government, municipal convention
10 center, or convention center authority shall certify to the
11 Department the amounts of funds expended in the previous fiscal
12 year to provide qualified incentives; however, in no event may
13 the certified amount pursuant to this paragraph exceed \$200,000
14 for any municipal convention center, convention center
15 authority, or municipal amateur sports facility in any calendar
16 year. The unit of local government, convention center, or
17 convention center authority shall certify (A) the net proceeds
18 received under the Hotel Operators' Occupation Tax Act for the
19 renting, leasing, or letting of hotel rooms in the municipality
20 for the month in which the convention, meeting, or trade show
21 occurs and (B) the average of the net proceeds received under
22 the Hotel Operators' Occupation Tax Act for the renting,
23 leasing, or letting of hotel rooms in the municipality for the
24 same month in the 3 immediately preceding years. The unit of
25 local government, municipal convention center, or convention
26 center authority shall include the incentive amounts as part of

1 its regular audit.

2 (c) The Department shall submit a report on the
3 effectiveness of the program established under this Section to
4 the General Assembly no later than January 1, 2020.

5 (Source: P.A. 99-476, eff. 8-27-15.)

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