

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

SB3421

Introduced 1/18/2022, by Sen. Laura M. Murphy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/11-80

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that railroad property shall be assessed based on the location of the property (rather than as a unit).

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1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing
Section 11-80 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/11-80)

Sec. 11-80. Assessment procedure for railroad companies. In assessing the taxable property of any railroad company, the Department shall first determine 33 1/3% of the fair cash value of all the property of any railroad company <u>based on the</u> <u>location of the property</u> as a unit, but shall make due allowance for any non-carrier real estate and all personalty.

The Department shall take into consideration the actual or 13 14 market value of the shares of stock outstanding, the actual or bonds outstanding and all 15 market value of all other indebtedness as is applicable, for operating the road. In 16 determining the market value of the stock or indebtedness the 17 Department shall consider quotations for the 5 years preceding 18 19 the assessment date; the net earnings of the company during 20 the 5 calendar years preceding the assessment date; and such 21 other information as the Department may consider as bearing on 22 the fair cash value of the property. The valuation by the Department shall include capital stock and all other property 23

of railroad companies, except non-carrier real estate. The above facts shall not be conclusive upon the Department in determining 33 1/3% of the fair cash value of the property of a railroad company.

5 The Department shall determine the equalized assessed 6 value of the taxable property of every railroad company by 7 applying to its determination of 33 1/3% of the fair cash value 8 of the property an equalization factor equal to the statewide 9 average ratio of the equalized assessed value of locally 10 assessed property to 33 1/3% of the fair cash value of such 11 locally assessed property.

12 The Department shall assess the value of all operating 13 property acquired by a railroad company or its wholly-owned 14 subsidiary by trade with a municipality, which is situated in 15 a state contiguous to Illinois, at no greater value than the 16 value of the operating property traded to the municipality for 17 the property by the railroad company. The value shall be that value established for the year immediately preceding the 18 19 calendar year of the trade. The assessment shall not increase, 20 but may decrease, during the 10 years following the calendar year of the trade. 21

22 (Source: P.A. 86-173; 86-905; 86-1028; 88-455.)

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