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AN ACT in relation to transportation.

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

Section 5. The Township Code is amended by adding
Section 30-117 as follows:

6 (60 ILCS 1/30-117 new)

Sec. 30-117. Special services; disaster relief. The 7 electors may authorize the use of general road and bridge 8 funds or town funds for the purpose of collecting, 9 transporting, and disposing of brush and leaves generated 10 from those properties contiguous to roads as defined by 11 Section 2-103. Further, the electors may allow general road 12 13 and bridge or town funds to also be used for the purpose of providing disaster relief and support services approved by 14 the Township Board of Trustees at a regularly scheduled or 15 special meeting. 16

Section 10. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by changing Sections 6-201.6 and 6-201.7 and adding Section 6-201.21 as follows:

20 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.6) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-201.6)

Sec. 6-201.6. Direct the expenditure of all moneys collected in the district for road purposes, including those purposes allowed under Section 6-201.21 of this Code, and draw warrants on the district treasurer therefor, provided such warrants are countersigned by the district clerk. (Source: Laws 1959, p. 196.)

27 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.7) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-201.7)
28 Sec. 6-201.7. Construct, maintain and repair and be

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responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of 1 2 roads within the district, let contracts, employ labor and purchase material and machinery therefor, subject to the 3 4 limitations provided in this Code. No contract shall be let. for the construction or repair of any road or part thereof in 5 excess of the amount of \$10,000, nor shall any material, 6 7 machinery or other appliances to be used in road construction 8 or maintenance of roads in excess of such amount be 9 purchased, nor shall several contracts each for an amount of \$10,000 or less be let for the construction or repair of any 10 11 road or part thereof when such construction or repair is in 12 reality part of one project costing more than \$10,000, nor 13 shall any material, machinery or other appliance to be used therein be purchased under several contracts each for 14 an amount of \$10,000 or less, if such purchases are essentially 15 16 one transaction amounting to more than \$10,000, without the written approval of the county superintendent of highways in 17 the case of road districts other than consolidated township 18 19 road districts or without the written approval of the highway board of auditors in the case of consolidated township road 20 districts. Contracts, labor, machinery, disposal, and 21 22 incidental expenses related to special services under Section 23 6-201.21 of this Code constitute maintenance, for purposes of 24 this Section.

Except for professional services, when the cost of 25 construction, materials, supplies, new machinery or equipment 26 27 exceeds \$10,000, the contract for such construction, materials, supplies, machinery or equipment shall be 28 let, 29 after the above written approval is obtained, to the lowest 30 responsible bidder after advertising for bids at least once, and at least 10 days prior to the time set for the opening of 31 such bids, 32 in a newspaper published within the township or road district, or, if no newspaper is published within the 33 34 township or road district then in one published within the

1 county, or, if no newspaper is published within the county 2 then in a newspaper having general circulation within the township or road district, but, in case of an emergency, such 3 4 contract may be let without advertising for bids upon the approval of the County Superintendent of Highways expressing 5 6 in writing the existence of such emergency and, in the case 7 of consolidated township road districts, upon the approval of 8 the highway board of auditors. For purposes of this Section 9 "new machinery or equipment" shall be defined as that which has been previously untitled or that which shows fewer than 10 11 200 hours on its operating clock and that is accompanied by a new equipment manufacturer's warranty. 12

13 (Source: P.A. 92-268, eff. 1-1-02.)

14 (605 ILCS 5/6-201.21 new)

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15 Sec. 6-201.21. Special services; disaster relief. Subject to Section 30-117 of the Township Code, the highway 16 commissioner has authority to provide for orderly collection 17 and disposal of brush and leaves that have been properly 18 placed for collection along the road district rights-of-way 19 in accordance with local guidelines in those townships or 20 21 counties that regulate by ordinance open burning of brush or leaves. Further, the highway commissioner has authority to 22 provide necessary relief services following the occurrence of 23 24 an event that has been declared a disaster by State or local 25 officials. The highway commissioner has purchasing authority, subject to Section 6-201.6, and contractual authority as 26 defined in Section 6-201.7 of this Code. 27

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect uponbecoming law.