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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4532
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 4532 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5	Southeastern Illinois Economic Development Authority Act.
6	Section 10. Findings. The General Assembly determines and
7	declares the following:
8	(1) that labor surplus areas currently exist in
9	southeastern Illinois;
10	(2) that the economic burdens resulting from involuntary
11	unemployment fall, in part, upon the State in the form of
12	increased need for public assistance and reduced tax revenues
13	and, in the event that the unemployed worker and his or her
14	family migrate elsewhere to find work, the burden may also fall
15	upon the municipalities and other taxing districts within the
16	areas of unemployment in the form of reduced tax revenues,
17	thereby endangering their financial ability to support
18	necessary governmental services for their remaining
19	inhabitants;
20	(3) that the State has a responsibility to help create a
21	favorable climate for new and improved job opportunities for
22	its citizens by encouraging the development of tourism,
23	commercial, and service businesses and industrial and
24	manufacturing plants within the southeastern region of

1 Illinois;

(4) that a lack of decent housing contributes to urban blight, crime, anti-social behavior, disease, a higher need for public assistance, reduced tax revenues, and the migration of workers and their families away from areas which fail to offer adequate, decent, and affordable housing;

7 (5) that decent, affordable housing is a necessary 8 ingredient of life affording each citizen basic human dignity, 9 a sense of self worth, confidence, and a firm foundation upon 10 which to build a family and educate children;

(6) that in order to foster civic and neighborhood pride, citizens require access to educational institutions, recreation, parks and open, spaces, entertainment, sports, a reliable transportation network, cultural facilities, and theaters; and

16 (7) that the main purpose of this Act is to promote 17 industrial, commercial, residential, service, transportation, 18 and recreational activities and facilities, thereby reducing 19 the evils attendant upon unemployment and enhancing the public 20 health, safety, morals, happiness, and general welfare of the 21 State.

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Section 15. Definitions. In this Act:

23 "Authority" means the Southeastern Illinois Economic24 Development Authority.

25 "Governmental agency" means any federal, State, or local 26 governmental body and any agency or instrumentality thereof, 27 corporate or otherwise.

28 "Person" means any natural person, firm, partnership, 29 corporation, both domestic and foreign, company, association 30 or joint stock association and includes any trustee, receiver, 31 assignee or personal representative thereof.

32 "Revenue bond" means any bond issued by the Authority, the 33 principal and interest of which is payable solely from revenues or income derived from any project or activity of the
 Authority.

3 "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Southeastern4 Illinois Economic Development Authority.

"Governor" means the Governor of the State of Illinois.

6 "City" means any city, village, incorporated town, or 7 township within the geographical territory of the Authority.

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"Industrial project" means the following:

(1) a capital project, including one or more buildings and 9 10 other structures, improvements, machinery and equipment whether or not on the same site or sites now existing or 11 hereafter acquired, suitable for use by any manufacturing, 12 13 industrial, research, transportation or commercial enterprise 14 including but not limited to use as a factory, mill, processing 15 plant, assembly plant, packaging plant, fabricating plant, ethanol plant, office building, industrial distribution 16 center, warehouse, repair, overhaul or service facility, 17 18 freight terminal, research facility, test facility, power 19 generation facility, mining operation, railroad facility, 20 solid waste and wastewater treatment and disposal sites and 21 other pollution control facilities, resource or waste reduction, recovery, treatment and disposal facilities, 22 tourism-related facilities, including hotels, theaters, water 23 parks, and amusement parks, and including also the sites 24 25 thereof and other rights in land therefore whether improved or 26 unimproved, site preparation and landscaping and all appurtenances and facilities incidental thereto such as 27 28 utilities, access roads, railroad sidings, truck docking and 29 similar facilities, parking facilities, dockage, wharfage, railroad roadbed, track, trestle, depot, terminal, switching 30 31 and signaling equipment or related equipment and other 32 improvements necessary or convenient thereto; or

33 (2) any land, buildings, machinery or equipment comprising34 an addition to or renovation, rehabilitation or improvement of

1 any existing capital project.

2 "Commercial project" means any project, including, but not 3 limited to, one or more buildings and other structures, 4 improvements, machinery, and equipment, whether or not on the 5 same site or sites now existing or hereafter acquired, suitable 6 for use by any retail or wholesale concern, distributorship, or 7 agency, or health facility or retirement facility.

industrial, housing, residential, 8 "Project" means an commercial, or service project, or any combination thereof, 9 10 provided that all uses fall within one of the categories described above. Any project automatically includes all site 11 12 improvements and new construction involving sidewalks, sewers, solid waste and wastewater treatment and disposal sites and 13 14 other pollution control facilities, resource or waste 15 reduction, recovery, treatment and disposal facilities, parks, 16 open spaces, wildlife sanctuaries, streets, highways, and 17 runways.

18 "Lease agreement" means an agreement in which a project 19 acquired by the Authority by purchase, gift, or lease is leased 20 to any person or corporation that will use, or cause the 21 project to be used, as a project, upon terms providing for lease rental payments at least sufficient to pay, when due, all 22 23 principal of and interest and premium, if any, on any bonds, 24 notes, or other evidences of indebtedness of the Authority, 25 issued with respect to the project, providing for the 26 maintenance, insurance, and operation of the project on terms satisfactory to the Authority and providing for disposition of 27 28 the project upon termination of the lease term, including 29 purchase options or abandonment of the premises, with other 30 terms as may be deemed desirable by the Authority.

"Loan agreement" means any agreement in which the Authority agrees to loan the proceeds of its bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, issued with respect to a project, to any person or corporation which will use or cause the project

to be used as a project, upon terms providing for loan 1 repayment installments at least sufficient to pay, when due, 2 3 all principal of and interest and premium, if any, on any 4 bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness of the 5 Authority issued with respect to the project, providing for maintenance, insurance, and operation of the project on terms 6 7 satisfactory to the Authority and providing for other terms 8 deemed advisable by the Authority.

9 "Financial aid" means the expenditure of Authority funds or 10 funds provided by the Authority for the development, 11 construction, acquisition or improvement of a project, through 12 the issuance of revenue bonds, notes, or other evidences of 13 indebtedness.

14 "Costs incurred in connection with the development, 15 construction, acquisition or improvement of a project" means 16 the following:

(1) the cost of purchase and construction of all lands and improvements in connection therewith and equipment and other property, rights, easements, and franchises acquired which are deemed necessary for the construction;

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(2) financing charges;

(3) interest costs with respect to bonds, notes, and other
evidences of indebtedness of the Authority prior to and during
construction and for a period of 6 months thereafter;

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(4) engineering and legal expenses; and

26 the costs of plans, specifications, surveys, (5) and 27 estimates of costs and other expenses necessary or incident to 28 determining the feasibility or practicability of any project, 29 together with such other expenses as may be necessary or the financing, insuring, acquisition, 30 incident to and 31 construction of a specific project and the placing of the same 32 in operation.

33 Section 20. Creation.

(a) There is created a political subdivision, body politic, 1 2 and municipal corporation named the Southeastern Illinois 3 Economic Development Authority. The territorial jurisdiction 4 of the Authority is that geographic area within the boundaries 5 of the following counties: Fayette, Cumberland, Clark, Effingham, Jasper, Crawford, Marion, Clay, Richland, Lawrence, 6 7 Jefferson, Wayne, Edwards, Wabash, Hamilton, and White and any 8 navigable waters and air space located therein.

9 (b) The governing and administrative powers of the 10 Authority shall be vested in a body consisting of 10 members as 11 follows:

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(1) Nine members shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

14 (2) One member shall be appointed by the Director of15 Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

All public members shall reside within the territorial 16 jurisdiction of the Authority. The public members shall be 17 18 persons of recognized ability and experience in one or more of 19 the following areas: economic development, finance, banking, 20 industrial development, state or local government, commercial 21 agriculture, small business management, real estate development, community development, venture finance, organized 22 23 labor, or civic or community organization.

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(c) Six members shall constitute a quorum.

(d) The chairman of the Authority shall be elected annuallyby the Board.

(e) The terms of all initial members of the Authority shall 27 28 begin 30 days after the effective date of this Act. Of the 10 29 original members appointed pursuant to subsection (b), one shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2005; one shall 30 31 serve until the third Monday in January, 2006; 2 shall serve until the third Monday in January, 2007; 2 shall serve until 32 the third Monday in January, 2008; 2 shall serve until the 33 third Monday in January, 2009; and 2 shall serve until the 34

third Monday in January, 2010. All successors to these original 1 2 public members shall be appointed by the Governor with the 3 advice and consent of the Senate, or by the Director of 4 Commerce and Economic Opportunity, as the case may be, pursuant 5 to subsection (b), and shall hold office for a term of 3 years commencing the third Monday in January of the year in which 6 7 their term commences, except in the case of an appointment to 8 fill a vacancy. Vacancies occurring among the public members shall be filled for the remainder of the term. In case of 9 10 vacancy in a Governor-appointed membership when the Senate is 11 not in session, the Governor may make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the Senate when a person shall be 12 nominated to fill the office and, upon confirmation by the 13 14 Senate, he or she shall hold office during the remainder of the 15 term and until a successor is appointed and qualified. Members of the Authority are not entitled to compensation for their 16 services as members but are be entitled to reimbursement for 17 18 all necessary expenses incurred in connection with the 19 performance of their duties as members. Members of the Board 20 may participate in Board meetings by teleconference or video 21 conference.

(f) The Governor may remove any public member of the Authority appointed by the Governor, and the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may remove any public member appointed by the Director, in case of incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office.

(q) The Board shall appoint an Executive Director who shall 27 28 have a background in finance, including familiarity with the 29 legal and procedural requirements of issuing bonds, real 30 estate, or economic development and administration. The 31 Executive Director shall hold office at the discretion of the 32 Board. The Executive Director shall be the chief administrative 33 and operational officer of the Authority, shall direct and supervise its administrative affairs and general management, 34

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perform such other duties as may be prescribed from time to 1 2 time by the members, and receive compensation fixed by the 3 Authority. The Executive Director shall attend all meetings of 4 the Authority. However, no action of the Authority shall be 5 invalid on account of the absence of the Executive Director from a meeting. The Authority may engage the services of the 6 7 Illinois Finance Authority, attorneys, appraisers, engineers, 8 accountants, credit analysts, and other consultants, if the Southeastern Illinois Economic Development Authority deems it 9 advisable. 10

11 Section 25. Duty. All official acts of the Authority shall 12 require the approval of at least 6 members. It shall be the 13 duty of the Authority to promote development within the 14 territorial jurisdiction of the Authority. The Authority shall 15 use the powers conferred upon it to assist in the development, 16 construction, and acquisition of industrial, commercial, 17 housing, or residential projects within those counties.

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Section 30. Powers.

(a) The Authority possesses all the powers of a body corporate necessary and convenient to accomplish the purposes of this Act, including, without any intended limitation upon the general powers hereby conferred, the following powers:

(1) to enter into loans, contracts, agreements, and
 mortgages in any matter connected with any of its corporate
 purposes and to invest its funds;

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(2) to sue and be sued;

27 (3) to utilize services of the Illinois Finance28 Authority;

29 (4) to have and use a common seal and to alter the seal
30 at its discretion;

31 (5) to adopt all needful ordinances, resolutions,
 32 by-laws, rules, and regulations for the conduct of its

business and affairs and for the management and use of the projects developed, constructed, acquired, and improved in furtherance of its purposes;

4 (6) to own or finance communications projects such as
5 telecommunications, fiber optics, and data transfer
6 projects;

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(7) to designate the fiscal year for the Authority;

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(8) to accept and expend appropriations;

9 (9) to acquire, own, lease, sell, or otherwise dispose 10 of interests in and to real property and improvements 11 situated on that real property and in personal property 12 necessary to fulfill the purposes of the Authority;

(10) to engage in any activity or operation which is incidental to and in furtherance of efficient operation to accomplish the Authority's primary purpose;

(11) to acquire, own, construct, lease, operate, and
maintain bridges, terminals, terminal facilities, and port
facilities and to fix and collect just, reasonable, and
nondiscriminatory charges for the use of such facilities.
These charges shall be used to defray the reasonable
expenses of the Authority and to pay the principal and
interest of any revenue bonds issued by the Authority;

(12) subject to any applicable condition imposed by
this Act, to locate, establish and maintain a public
airport, public airports and public airport facilities
within its corporate limits or within or upon any body of
water adjacent thereto and to construct, develop, expand,
extend and improve any such airport or airport facility;
and

30 (13) to have and exercise all powers and be subject to
31 all duties usually incident to boards of directors of
32 corporations.

33 (b) The Authority shall not issue any bonds relating to the 34 financing of a project located within the planning and 1 subdivision control jurisdiction of any municipality or county 2 unless notice, including a description of the proposed project 3 and the financing for that project, is submitted to the 4 corporate authorities of the municipality or, in the case of a 5 proposed project in an unincorporated area, to the county 6 board.

7 (c) If any of the powers set forth in this Act are 8 exercised within the jurisdictional limits of any 9 municipality, all ordinances of the municipality remain in full 10 force and effect and are controlling.

11 Section 35. Bonds.

(a) The Authority, with the written approval of the 12 13 Governor, shall have the continuing power to issue bonds, 14 notes, or other evidences of indebtedness in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$250,000,000 for the following purposes: 15 (i) development, construction, acquisition, or improvement of 16 17 projects, including those established by business entities expanding property within the territorial 18 locating or 19 jurisdiction of the Authority; (ii) entering into venture 20 capital agreements with businesses locating or expanding within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority; (iii) 21 22 acquisition and improvement of any property necessary and 23 useful in connection therewith; and (iv) for the purposes of 24 the Employee Ownership Assistance Act. For the purpose of 25 evidencing the obligations of the Authority to repay any money 26 borrowed, the Authority may, pursuant to resolution, from time 27 to time, issue and dispose of its interest-bearing revenue 28 bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness and may also 29 from time to time issue and dispose of such bonds, notes, or 30 other evidences of indebtedness to refund, at maturity, at a 31 redemption date or in advance of either, any bonds, notes, or 32 other evidences of indebtedness pursuant to redemption provisions or at any time before maturity. All such bonds, 33

notes, or other evidences of indebtedness shall be payable 1 2 solely and only from the revenues or income to be derived from 3 loans made with respect to projects, from the leasing or sale 4 of the projects, or from any other funds available to the 5 Authority for such purposes. The bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness may bear such date or dates, may 6 7 mature at such time or times not exceeding 40 years from their 8 respective dates, may bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding the maximum rate permitted by the Bond Authorization 9 10 Act, may be in such form, may carry such registration privileges, may be executed in such manner, may be payable at 11 such place or places, may be made subject to redemption in such 12 13 manner and upon such terms, with or without premium, as is 14 stated on the face thereof, may be authenticated in such manner 15 and may contain such terms and covenants as may be provided by 16 an applicable resolution.

(b) The holder or holders of any bonds, notes, or other 17 18 evidences of indebtedness issued by the Authority may bring 19 suits at law or proceedings in equity to compel the performance 20 and observance by any corporation or person or by the Authority 21 or any of its agents or employees of any contract or covenant made with the holders of the bonds, notes, or other evidences 22 of indebtedness, to compel such corporation, person, 23 the 24 Authority, and any of its agents or employees to perform any 25 duties required to be performed for the benefit of the holders 26 of the bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness by the provision of the resolution authorizing their issuance and to 27 28 enjoin the corporation, person, the Authority, and any of its 29 agents or employees from taking any action in conflict with any 30 contract or covenant.

31 (c) If the Authority fails to pay the principal of or 32 interest on any of the bonds or premium, if any, as the bond 33 becomes due, a civil action to compel payment may be instituted 34 in the appropriate circuit court by the holder or holders of

the bonds on which the default of payment exists or by an 1 2 indenture trustee acting on behalf of the holders. Delivery of 3 a summons and a copy of the complaint to the chairman of the 4 Board shall constitute sufficient service to give the circuit 5 court jurisdiction over the subject matter of the suit and jurisdiction over the Authority and its officers named as 6 7 defendants for the purpose of compelling such payment. Any 8 case, controversy, or cause of action concerning the validity of this Act relates to the revenue of the State of Illinois. 9

10 (d) Notwithstanding the form and tenor of any bond, note, or other evidence of indebtedness and in the absence of any 11 express recital on its face that it is non-negotiable, all such 12 bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness shall be 13 14 negotiable instruments. Pending the preparation and execution 15 of any bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, temporary bonds, notes, or evidences of indebtedness may be 16 17 issued as provided by ordinance.

18 (e) To secure the payment of any or all of such bonds, 19 notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, the revenues to be 20 received by the Authority from a lease agreement or loan 21 agreement shall be pledged, and, for the purpose of setting forth the covenants and undertakings of the Authority in 22 connection with the issuance of the bonds, notes, or other 23 24 evidences of indebtedness and the issuance of any additional 25 bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness payable from 26 such revenues, income, or other funds to be derived from 27 projects, the Authority may execute and deliver a mortgage or 28 trust agreement. A remedy for any breach or default of the 29 terms of any mortgage or trust agreement by the Authority may be by mandamus proceeding in the appropriate circuit court to 30 31 compel performance and compliance under the terms of the 32 mortgage or trust agreement, but the trust agreement may 33 prescribe by whom or on whose behalf the action may be 34 instituted.

(f) Bonds or notes shall be secured as provided in the 1 2 authorizing ordinance which may include, notwithstanding any 3 other provision of this Act, in addition to any other security, 4 a specific pledge, assignment of and lien on, or security 5 interest in any or all revenues or money of the Authority, from whatever source, which may, by law, be used for debt service 6 7 purposes and a specific pledge, or assignment of and lien on, 8 or security interest in any funds or accounts established or provided for by ordinance of the Authority authorizing the 9 10 issuance of the bonds or notes.

(q) In the event that the Authority determines that moneys 11 of the Authority will not be sufficient for the payment of the 12 13 principal of and interest on its bonds during the next State 14 fiscal year, the chairman, as soon as practicable, shall 15 certify to the Governor the amount required by the Authority to enable it to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds. 16 17 The Governor shall submit the certified amount to the General 18 Assembly as soon as practicable, but no later than the end of 19 the current State fiscal year. This Section shall not apply to 20 any bonds or notes to which the Authority determines, in the 21 resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds or notes, that 22 this Section shall not apply. Whenever the Authority makes this 23 determination, it shall be plainly stated on the face of the 24 bonds or notes and the determination shall also be reported to 25 the Governor. In the event of a withdrawal of moneys from a 26 reserve fund established with respect to any issue or issues of 27 bonds of the Authority to pay principal or interest on those 28 bonds, the chairman of the Authority, as soon as practicable, 29 shall certify to the Governor the amount required to restore the reserve fund to the level required in the resolution or 30 31 indenture securing those bonds. The Governor shall submit the 32 certified amount to the General Assembly as soon as 33 practicable, but no later than the end of the current State fiscal year. 34

(h) The State of Illinois pledges to and agrees with the 1 2 holders of the bonds and notes of the Authority issued pursuant 3 to this Section that the State will not limit or alter the 4 rights and powers vested in the Authority by this Act so as to 5 impair the terms of any contract made by the Authority with the holders of bonds or notes or in any way impair the rights and 6 7 remedies of those holders until the bonds and notes, together 8 with interest thereon, with interest on any unpaid installments of interest, and all costs and expenses in connection with any 9 10 action or proceedings by or on behalf of the holders, are fully 11 met and discharged. In addition, the State pledges to and agrees with the holders of the bonds and notes of the Authority 12 issued pursuant to this Section that the State will not limit 13 or alter the basis on which State funds are to be paid to the 14 15 Authority as provided in this Act, or the use of such funds, so 16 as to impair the terms of any such contract. The Authority is authorized to include these pledges and agreements of the State 17 18 in any contract with the holders of bonds or notes issued 19 pursuant to this Section.

Section 40. Bonds and notes; exemption from taxation. The 20 creation of the Authority is in all respects for the benefit of 21 22 the people of Illinois and for the improvement of their health, safety, welfare, comfort, and security, and its purposes are 23 public purposes. In consideration thereof, the notes and bonds 24 25 of the Authority issued pursuant to this Act and the income from these notes and bonds may be free from all taxation by the 26 27 State or its political subdivisions, exempt for estate, 28 transfer, and inheritance taxes. The exemption from taxation 29 provided by the preceding sentence shall apply to the income on 30 any notes or bonds of the Authority only if the Authority in 31 its sole judgment determines that the exemption enhances the 32 marketability of the bonds or notes or reduces the interest rates that would otherwise be borne by the bonds or notes. For 33

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purposes of Section 250 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, the 1 2 exemption of the Authority shall terminate after all of the 3 bonds have been paid. The amount of such income that shall be added and then subtracted on the Illinois income tax return of 4 5 a taxpayer, subject to Section 203 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, from federal adjusted gross income or federal taxable 6 7 income in computing Illinois base income shall be the interest 8 net of any bond premium amortization.

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Section 45. Acquisition.

10 (a) The Authority may, but need not, acquire title to any11 project with respect to which it exercises its authority.

12 (b) The Authority shall have power to acquire by purchase, 13 lease, gift, or otherwise any property or rights therein from 14 any person or persons, the State of Illinois, any municipal corporation, any local unit of government, the government of 15 the United States and any agency or instrumentality of the 16 17 United States, any body politic, or any county useful for its 18 purposes, whether improved for the purposes of any prospective 19 project or unimproved. The Authority may also accept any 20 donation of funds for its purposes from any of these sources.

(c) The Authority shall have power to develop, construct, 21 and improve, either under its own direction or through 22 collaboration with any approved applicant, or to acquire, 23 24 through purchase or otherwise, any project, using for this 25 purpose the proceeds derived from its sale of revenue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness or governmental loans 26 27 or grants and shall have the power to hold title to those 28 projects in the name of the Authority.

(d) The Authority shall have the power to enter into
intergovernmental agreements with the State of Illinois, the
counties of Fayette, Cumberland, Clark, Effingham, Jasper,
Crawford, Marion, Clay, Richland, Lawrence, Jefferson, Wayne,
Edwards, Wabash, Hamilton, and White, the Illinois Development

Finance Authority, the Illinois Housing Development Authority, 1 2 the Illinois Education Facilities Authority, the Illinois Farm 3 Development Authority, the Rural Bond Bank, the United States 4 government and any agency or instrumentality of the United 5 States, any unit of local government located within the territory of the Authority, or any other unit of government to 6 7 the extent allowed by Article VII, Section 10 of the Illinois 8 Constitution and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act.

9 (e) The Authority shall have the power to share employees 10 with other units of government, including agencies of the 11 United States, agencies of the State of Illinois, and agencies 12 or personnel of any unit of local government.

(f) The Authority shall have the power to exercise powers and issue bonds as if it were a municipality so authorized in Divisions 12.1, 74, 74.1, 74.3, and 74.5 of Article 11 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

17 Section 50. Enterprise zones. The Authority may by 18 ordinance designate a portion of the territorial jurisdiction 19 of the Authority for certification as an Enterprise Zone under 20 the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act in addition to any other enterprise zones which may be created under that Act, which 21 22 area shall have all the privileges and rights of an Enterprise Zone pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, but which 23 24 shall not be counted in determining the number of Enterprise 25 Zones to be created in any year pursuant to that Act.

Section 55. Designation of depository. The Authority shall biennially designate a national or State bank or banks as depositories of its money. Such depositories shall be designated only within the State and upon condition that bonds approved as to form and surety by the Authority and at least equal in amount to the maximum sum expected to be on deposit at any one time shall be first given by such depositories to the

Authority, such bonds to be conditioned for the safe keeping 1 and prompt repayment of such deposits. When any of the funds of 2 3 the Authority shall be deposited by the treasurer in any such 4 depository, the treasurer and the sureties on his official bond 5 shall, to such extent, be exempt from liability for the loss of any such deposited funds by reason of the failure, bankruptcy, 6 7 or any other act or default of such depository; provided that 8 the Authority may accept assignments of collateral by any depository of its funds to secure such deposits to the same 9 extent and conditioned in the same manner as assignments of 10 collateral are permitted by law to secure deposits of the funds 11 of any city. 12

13 Section 60. Taxation prohibited. The Authority shall have 14 no right or authority to levy any tax or special assessment, to 15 pledge the credit of the State or any other subdivision or 16 municipal corporation thereof, or to incur any obligation 17 enforceable upon any property, either within or without the 18 territory of the Authority.

19 Section 65. Fees. The Authority may collect fees and 20 charges in connection with its loans, commitments, and 21 servicing and may provide technical assistance in the 22 development of the region.

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Section 70. Reports and audit.

(a) The Authority shall annually submit a report of its
finances to the Auditor General. The Authority shall annually
submit a report of its activities to the Governor and to the
General Assembly.

(b) Beginning 5 years after the effective date of this Act
and every 5 years thereafter, the Auditor General shall conduct
a financial audit of the Authority.

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Section 99. The Illinois State Auditing Act is amended by
 changing Section 3-1 as follows:

(30 ILCS 5/3-1) (from Ch. 15, par. 303-1)

4 Sec. 3-1. Jurisdiction of Auditor General. The Auditor 5 General has jurisdiction over all State agencies to make post 6 audits and investigations authorized by or under this Act or 7 the Constitution.

8 The Auditor General has jurisdiction over local government 9 agencies and private agencies only:

(a) to make such post audits authorized by or under 10 this Act as are necessary and incidental to a post audit of 11 a State agency or of a program administered by a State 12 13 agency involving public funds of the State, but this 14 jurisdiction does not include any authority to review local 15 governmental agencies in the obligation, receipt, expenditure or use of public funds of the State that are 16 17 granted without limitation or condition imposed by law, other than the general limitation that such funds be used 18 19 for public purposes;

(b) to make investigations authorized by or under this
Act or the Constitution; and

(c) to make audits of the records of local government
agencies to verify actual costs of state-mandated programs
when directed to do so by the Legislative Audit Commission
at the request of the State Board of Appeals under the
State Mandates Act.

In addition to the foregoing, the Auditor General may conduct an audit of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, the Regional Transportation Authority, the Suburban Bus Division, the Commuter Rail Division and the Chicago Transit Authority and any other subsidized carrier when authorized by the Legislative Audit Commission. Such audit may be a financial, management or program audit, or any combination 1 thereof.

The audit shall determine whether they are operating in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Subject to the limitations of this Act, the Legislative Audit Commission may by resolution specify additional determinations to be included in the scope of the audit.

In addition to the foregoing, the Auditor General must also 7 8 conduct a financial audit of the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority's expenditures of public funds in connection with the 9 10 renovation, remodeling, reconstruction, extension, or 11 improvement of all or substantially all of any existing "facility", as that term is defined in the Illinois Sports 12 13 Facilities Authority Act.

The Auditor General may also conduct an audit, when authorized by the Legislative Audit Commission, of any hospital which receives 10% or more of its gross revenues from payments from the State of Illinois, Department of Public Aid, Medical Assistance Program.

19 The Auditor General is authorized to conduct financial and 20 compliance audits of the Illinois Distance Learning Foundation 21 and the Illinois Conservation Foundation.

As soon as practical after the effective date of this 22 amendatory Act of 1995, the Auditor General shall conduct a 23 24 compliance and management audit of the City of Chicago and any 25 other entity with regard to the operation of Chicago O'Hare 26 International Airport, Chicago Midway Airport and Merrill C. Meigs Field. The audit shall include, but not be limited to, an 27 28 examination of revenues, expenses, and transfers of funds; 29 purchasing and contracting policies and practices; staffing levels; and hiring practices and procedures. When completed, 30 31 the audit required by this paragraph shall be distributed in accordance with Section 3-14. 32

33 The Auditor General shall conduct a financial and 34 compliance and program audit of distributions from the 1 Municipal Economic Development Fund during the immediately 2 preceding calendar year pursuant to Section 8-403.1 of the 3 Public Utilities Act at no cost to the city, village, or 4 incorporated town that received the distributions.

5 The Auditor General must conduct an audit of the Health 6 Facilities Planning Board pursuant to Section 19.5 of the 7 Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act.

8 The Auditor General of the State of Illinois shall annually conduct or cause to be conducted a financial and compliance 9 10 audit of the books and records of any county water commission 11 organized pursuant to the Water Commission Act of 1985 and shall file a copy of the report of that audit with the Governor 12 and the Legislative Audit Commission. The filed audit shall be 13 14 open to the public for inspection. The cost of the audit shall 15 be charged to the county water commission in accordance with Section 6z-27 of the State Finance Act. The county water 16 17 commission shall make available to the Auditor General its 18 books and records and any other documentation, whether in the possession of its trustees or other parties, necessary to 19 20 conduct the audit required. These audit requirements apply only 21 through July 1, 2007.

The Auditor General must conduct audits of the Rend Lake Conservancy District as provided in Section 25.5 of the River Conservancy Districts Act.

25 <u>The Auditor General must conduct financial audits of the</u> 26 <u>Southeastern Illinois Economic Development Authority as</u> 27 <u>provided in Section 70 of the Southeastern Illinois Economic</u> 28 <u>Development Authority Act.</u>

29 (Source: P.A. 93-226, eff. 7-22-03; 93-259, eff. 7-22-03; 30 93-275, eff. 7-22-03; revised 8-25-03.)

31 Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 32 becoming law. ".