

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB5195

Introduced 2/8/2012, by Rep. Daniel Biss

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 3501/820-10 20 ILCS 3501/820-35

Amends the Illinois Finance Authority Act. Includes in the definition of "energy conservation project" an Energy Efficiency Project in connection with any school district or community college district project. Provides that the Illinois Finance Authority may (rather than shall) assist the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to establish and implement a program to assist units of local government to identify and arrange financing for energy conservation projects. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Finance Authority Act is amended by changing Sections 820-10 and 820-35 as follows:
- 6 (20 ILCS 3501/820-10)
- Sec. 820-10. Definitions. The following words or terms, whenever used or referred to in this Article, shall have the following meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly requires otherwise:
- 11 (a) "Department" means the Illinois Department of Commerce 12 and Economic Opportunity.
 - (b) "Unit of local government" means any unit of local government, as defined in Article VII, Section 1 of the 1970 State Constitution and any local public entity as that term is defined by the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act and also includes the State and any instrumentality, office, officer, department, division, bureau, commission, college or university thereof.
 - (c) "Energy conservation project" means any improvement, repair, alteration or betterment of any building or facility or any equipment, including but not limited to an Energy Efficiency Project, as defined in item (iii) of subsection (b)

- of Section 825-65, in connection with any school district or 1 2 community college district project, and any fixture or 3 furnishing including its energy using mechanical devices to be added to or used in any building or facility that the Director 5 of the Department has certified to the Authority will be a cost-effective energy-related project that will lower energy 6 7 utility costs in connection with the operation 8 maintenance of such building or facility, and will achieve 9 energy cost savings sufficient to cover bond debt service and 10 other project costs within 10 years from the date of project 11 installation.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 93-205, eff. 1-1-04.)
- 13 (20 ILCS 3501/820-35)
- Sec. 820-35. The Authority may shall assist the Department 14 15 to establish and implement a program to assist units of local 16 government to identify and arrange financing for energy conservation projects in buildings and facilities owned or 17 leased by units of local government. Such bonds shall not 18 constitute an indebtedness or obligation of the State of 19 20 Illinois and it shall be plainly stated on the face of each 21 bond that it does not constitute such an indebtedness or 22 obligation but is payable solely from the revenues, income or other assets of the Authority pledged therefor. 23
- 24 (Source: P.A. 93-205, eff. 1-1-04.)
- 25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

becoming law. 1