

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3812

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3812 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Township Code is amended by changing
5 Section 235-20 as follows:

6 (60 ILCS 1/235-20)

7 Sec. 235-20. General assistance tax.

8 (a) The township board may raise money by taxation
9 deemed necessary to be expended to provide general assistance
10 in the township to persons needing that assistance as
11 provided in the Illinois Public Aid Code, including persons
12 eligible for assistance under the Military Veterans
13 Assistance Act, where that duty is provided by law. The tax
14 for each fiscal year shall not be more than 0.10% of value,
15 or more than an amount approved at a referendum held under
16 this Section, as equalized or assessed by the Department of
17 Revenue, and shall in no case exceed the amount needed in the
18 township for general assistance.

19 (b) If the board desires to increase the maximum tax
20 rate, it shall order a referendum on that proposition to be
21 held at an election in accordance with the general election
22 law. The board shall certify the proposition to the proper

1 election officials, who shall submit the proposition to the
2 voters at an election in accordance with the general election
3 law. If a majority of the votes cast on the proposition is
4 in favor of the proposition, the board may annually levy the
5 tax at a rate not exceeding the higher rate approved by the
6 voters at the election.

7 (c) If a city, village, or incorporated town having a
8 population of more than 500,000 is located within or
9 partially within a township, then the entire amount of the
10 tax levied by the township for the purpose of providing
11 general assistance under this Section on property lying
12 within that city, village, or incorporated town, less the
13 amount allowed for collecting the tax, shall be paid over by
14 the treasurer of the township to the treasurer of the city,
15 village, or incorporated town to be appropriated and used by
16 the city, village, or incorporated town for the relief and
17 support of persons needing general assistance residing in
18 that portion of the city, village, or incorporated town
19 located within the township in accordance with the Illinois
20 Public Aid Code.

21 (d) Any taxes levied for general assistance before or
22 after this Section takes effect may also be used for the
23 payment of warrants issued against and in anticipation of
24 those taxes and accrued interest on those warrants and may
25 also be used to pay the cost of administering that
26 assistance.

27 (e) In any township with a population of less than
28 500,000 that receives no State funding for the general
29 assistance program and that has not issued anticipation
30 warrants or otherwise borrowed monies for the administration
31 of the general assistance program during the township's
32 previous 3 fiscal years of operation, a one time transfer of
33 monies from the township's general assistance fund may be
34 made to the general township fund pursuant to action by the

1 township board. This transfer may occur only to the extent
2 that the amount of monies remaining in the general assistance
3 fund after the transfer is equal to the greater of (i) the
4 amount of the township's expenditures in the previous fiscal
5 year for general assistance or (ii) an amount equal to 0.10%
6 of the last known total equalized value of all taxable
7 property in the township. The transfer shall be completed no
8 later than one year after the effective date of this
9 amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly ~~the-end-of-fiscal~~
10 ~~year-1992~~. No township that has certified a new levy or an
11 increase in the levy under this Section during calendar year
12 2002 ~~1990~~ may transfer monies under this subsection. No
13 action on the transfer of monies under this subsection shall
14 be taken by the township board except at a township board
15 meeting. No monies transferred under this subsection shall be
16 considered in determining whether the township qualifies for
17 State funds to supplement local funds for public aid purposes
18 under Section 12-21.13 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.
19 (Source: P.A. 86-1379; 86-1480; 87-14; 87-895; 88-62.)

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
21 becoming law."