

# SB1370



## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/9/2017, by Sen. Karen McConnaughay

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 1205/2-10a

from Ch. 105, par. 2-10a

Amends the Park District Code. Provides that if a proposition to reduce a park district board from a 7-member board to a 5-member board was approved by referendum, the number of members elected at the election next following the referendum shall be reduced by 2. Further provides for procedures to ensure that the board members' terms are staggered after the reduction to a 5-member board depending on whether the members' terms are 4-year or 6-year terms. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Park District Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 2-10a as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 1205/2-10a) (from Ch. 105, par. 2-10a)

7 Sec. 2-10a. Any district may provide by referendum, or by  
8 resolution of the board, that the board shall be comprised of 7  
9 commissioners. Any such referendum shall be initiated and held  
10 in the same manner as is provided by the general election law.

11 If a majority of the votes cast on the proposition is in  
12 favor of the 7-member board, or if the board adopts a  
13 resolution stating that it is acting pursuant to this Section  
14 in order to create a 7-member board, then whichever of the  
15 following transition schedules are appropriate shall be  
16 applied: At the election of commissioners next following by at  
17 least 60 days the date on which the proposition to create a  
18 7-member board was approved at referendum or by resolution, the  
19 number of commissioners to be elected shall be 2 more than the  
20 number that would otherwise have been elected. If this results  
21 in the election, pursuant to Section 2-12 of this Act, of 4  
22 commissioners at that election, one of the 4, to be determined  
23 by lot within 30 days after the election, shall serve for a

1 term of 4 years or 2 years as the case may be, instead of 6  
2 years, so that his term will expire in the same year in which  
3 the term of only one of the incumbent commissioners expires.  
4 Thereafter all commissioners shall be elected for 6-year terms  
5 as provided in Section 2-12. If the creation of a 7-member  
6 board results in the election of either 3 or 4 commissioners,  
7 pursuant to Section 2-12a of this Act, at that election, 2 of  
8 them, to be determined by lot within 30 days after the  
9 election, shall serve for terms of 2 years instead of 4 years.  
10 Thereafter all commissioners shall be elected for 4-year terms  
11 as provided in Section 2-12a of this Act.

12 In any district where a 7-member board has been created  
13 pursuant to this Section whether by referendum or by  
14 resolution, the number of commissioners may later be reduced to  
15 5, but only by a referendum initiated and held in the same  
16 manner as prescribed in this Section for creating a 7-member  
17 board. No proposition to reduce the number of commissioners  
18 shall affect the terms of any commissioners holding office at  
19 the time of the referendum or to be elected within 60 days of  
20 the referendum. If a majority of the votes cast on the  
21 proposition is in favor of reducing a 7-member board to a  
22 5-member board, then, at the election of commissioners next  
23 following by at least 60 days the date on which the proposition  
24 was approved at referendum, the number of commissioners to be  
25 elected shall be 2 less than the number that would otherwise  
26 have been elected and whichever of the following transition

1 schedules are appropriate shall be applied: (i) if this results  
2 in the election of no commissioners for a 6-year term pursuant  
3 to Section 2-12 of this Act, then at the next election in which  
4 3 commissioners are scheduled to be elected to 6-year terms as  
5 provided in Section 2-12, one of the 3, to be determined by lot  
6 within 30 days after the election, shall serve for a term of 4  
7 years or 2 years, as the case may be, instead of 6 years, so  
8 that his or her term will expire in the same year in which the  
9 term of no incumbent commissioner is scheduled to expire;  
10 thereafter, all commissioners shall be elected for 6-year terms  
11 as provided in Section 2-12; or (ii) if the reduction to a  
12 5-member board results in the election of one commissioner to a  
13 4-year term, pursuant to Section 2-12a of this Act, then at the  
14 next election in which 4 commissioners are scheduled to be  
15 elected to 4-year terms as provided in Section 2-12a, one of  
16 the 4, to be determined by lot within 30 days after the  
17 election, shall serve for a term of 2 years, instead of 4  
18 years, so that his or her term will expire in the same year in  
19 which the term of only one incumbent commissioner is scheduled  
20 to expire; thereafter, all commissioners shall be elected for  
21 4-year terms as provided in Section 2-12a.

22 (Source: P.A. 81-1490.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
24 becoming law.