

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 Southwestern Illinois Development Authority
5 Act is amended by changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 520/4) (from Ch. 85, par. 6154)

7 Sec. 4. (a) There is hereby created a political
8 subdivision, body politic and municipal corporation named the
9 Southwestern Illinois Development Authority. The territorial
10 jurisdiction of the Authority is that geographic area within
11 the boundaries of Madison, St. Clair, Bond, and Clinton
12 counties in the State of Illinois and any navigable waters and
13 air space located therein.

14 (b) The governing and administrative powers of the
15 Authority shall be vested in a body consisting of 14 members
16 including, as ex officio members, the Director of Commerce and
17 Economic Opportunity, or his or her designee, and the Secretary
18 of Transportation ~~Director of Central Management Services~~, or
19 his or her designee. The other 12 members of the Authority
20 shall be designated "public members", 6 of whom shall be
21 appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the
22 Senate, 2 of whom shall be appointed by the county board
23 chairman of Madison County, 2 of whom shall be appointed by the

1 county board chairman of St. Clair County, one of whom shall be
2 appointed by the county board chairman of Bond County, and one
3 of whom shall be appointed by the county board chairman of
4 Clinton County. All public members shall reside within the
5 territorial jurisdiction of this Act. Eight members shall
6 constitute a quorum. The public members shall be persons of
7 recognized ability and experience in one or more of the
8 following areas: economic development, finance, banking,
9 industrial development, small business management, real estate
10 development, community development, venture finance, organized
11 labor or civic, community or neighborhood organization. The
12 Chairman of the Authority shall be elected by the Board
13 annually from the members appointed by the county board
14 chairmen.

15 (c) The terms of all members of the Authority shall begin
16 30 days after the effective date of this Act. Of the 8 public
17 members appointed pursuant to this Act, 3 shall serve until the
18 third Monday in January, 1988, 3 shall serve until the third
19 Monday in January, 1989, and 2 shall serve until the third
20 Monday in January, 1990. The public members initially appointed
21 under this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly shall
22 serve until the third Monday in January, 2008. All successors
23 shall be appointed by the original appointing authority and
24 hold office for a term of 3 years commencing the third Monday
25 in January of the year in which their term commences, except in
26 case of an appointment to fill a vacancy. Vacancies occurring

1 among the public members shall be filled for the remainder of
2 the term. In case of vacancy in a Governor-appointed membership
3 when the Senate is not in session, the Governor may make a
4 temporary appointment until the next meeting of the Senate when
5 a person shall be nominated to fill such office, and any person
6 so nominated who is confirmed by the Senate shall hold office
7 during the remainder of the term and until a successor shall be
8 appointed and qualified. Members of the Authority shall not be
9 entitled to compensation for their services as members but
10 shall be entitled to reimbursement for all necessary expenses
11 incurred in connection with the performance of their duties as
12 members.

13 (d) The Governor may remove any public member of the
14 Authority in case of incompetency, neglect of duty, or
15 malfeasance in office.

16 (e) The Board shall appoint an Executive Director who shall
17 have a background in finance, including familiarity with the
18 legal and procedural requirements of issuing bonds, real estate
19 or economic development and administration. The Executive
20 Director shall hold office at the discretion of the Board. The
21 Executive Director shall be the chief administrative and
22 operational officer of the Authority, shall direct and
23 supervise its administrative affairs and general management,
24 shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed from time
25 to time by the members and shall receive compensation fixed by
26 the Authority. The Executive Director shall attend all meetings

1 of the Authority; however, no action of the Authority shall be
2 invalid on account of the absence of the Executive Director
3 from a meeting. The Authority may engage the services of such
4 other agents and employees, including attorneys, appraisers,
5 engineers, accountants, credit analysts and other consultants,
6 as it may deem advisable and may prescribe their duties and fix
7 their compensation.

8 (f) The Board may, by majority vote, nominate up to 4
9 non-voting members for appointment by the Governor. Non-voting
10 members shall be persons of recognized ability and experience
11 in one or more of the following areas: economic development,
12 finance, banking, industrial development, small business
13 management, real estate development, community development,
14 venture finance, organized labor or civic, community or
15 neighborhood organization. Non-voting members shall serve at
16 the pleasure of the Board. All non-voting members may attend
17 meetings of the Board and shall be reimbursed as provided in
18 subsection (c).

19 (g) The Board shall create a task force to study and make
20 recommendations to the Board on the economic development of the
21 city of East St. Louis and on the economic development of the
22 riverfront within the territorial jurisdiction of this Act. The
23 members of the task force shall reside within the territorial
24 jurisdiction of this Act, shall serve at the pleasure of the
25 Board and shall be persons of recognized ability and experience
26 in one or more of the following areas: economic development,

1 finance, banking, industrial development, small business
2 management, real estate development, community development,
3 venture finance, organized labor or civic, community or
4 neighborhood organization. The number of members constituting
5 the task force shall be set by the Board and may vary from time
6 to time. The Board may set a specific date by which the task
7 force is to submit its final report and recommendations to the
8 Board.

9 (Source: P.A. 93-602, eff. 11-18-03; 94-793, eff. 5-19-06;
10 94-1096, eff. 6-1-07.)

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
12 becoming law.