



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB5542

Introduced 2/13/2026, by Rep. Brad Stephens

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 1205/3-6

from Ch. 105, par. 3-6

Amends the Park District Code. Provides that, prior to the submission of a petition to separate territory from a park district, the governing board of the park district may, at its discretion, adopt, by ordinance, a determination to waive the full payment of any unpaid park district assessments outstanding at the time the petition is submitted. Specifies that, if this waiver is adopted by park district ordinance, the county clerk or county clerks shall certify the petition for disconnection of the property identified in the petition without requiring the payment of any assessments that have been waived.

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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 3-6 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 1205/3-6) (from Ch. 105, par. 3-6)

7 Sec. 3-6. Petition to disconnect park district territory;
8 waiver of assessment payment.

9 (a) Any park district territory that ~~, within any park~~
10 ~~district, which (1)~~ is located upon the border of the park
11 district~~,~~ and that, ~~(2)~~ if disconnected from the park
12 district~~,~~ would not separate any part of the park district
13 from any other part~~,~~ may be disconnected from the park
14 district~~,~~ in the discretion of its corporate authorities as
15 follows:

16 A written petition, signed by the majority of the owners
17 of record of land and the owners of record of more than
18 one-half of the area of land in the territory described in the
19 petition, shall be filed with the secretary of the governing
20 board of the park district, requesting that the specified
21 territory be disconnected from the park district. The petition
22 shall be filed at least 30 days before it is considered by the
23 corporate authorities. Except as provided in subsection (b),

1 ~~the~~ The petition shall be accompanied with the certificate of
2 the proper county clerk, or county clerks as the case may be,
3 showing that all park district assessments due up to the time
4 of presenting the petition are fully paid. The corporate
5 authorities may, in their discretion, disconnect the territory
6 from the park district by an ordinance passed by a majority of
7 the members of the governing board.

8 (b) Prior to the submission of the petition specified in
9 subsection (a), the governing board of the park district may,
10 at its discretion, adopt, by ordinance, a determination to
11 waive the full payment of any unpaid park district assessments
12 outstanding at the time the petition is submitted. If a waiver
13 is adopted by park district ordinance under this subsection
14 (b), the county clerk or county clerks shall certify the
15 petition for the disconnection of the property identified in
16 the petition for the purpose of allowing the park district to
17 approve disconnection of all the property in the petition
18 without requiring the payment of any assessments that have
19 been waived.

20 (Source: Laws 1957, p. 2271.)