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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/18-165

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that a taxing district may abate a portion of its taxes on property upon which affordable housing has been or will be constructed in a development mixed with commercial property. The value of the abatement under this paragraph (12) may not exceed \$500,000.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,

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represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing
Section 18-165 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/18-165)

7 Sec. 18-165. Abatement of taxes.

8 (a) Any taxing district, upon a majority vote of its 9 governing authority, may, after the determination of the 10 assessed valuation of its property, order the clerk of that 11 county to abate any portion of its taxes on the following types 12 of property:

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(1) Commercial and industrial.

14 (A) The property of any commercial or industrial firm, including but not limited to the property of (i) 15 any firm that is used for collecting, separating, 16 17 storing, or processing recyclable materials, locating within the taxing district during the immediately 18 19 preceding year from another state, territory, or 20 country, or having been newly created within this State 21 during the immediately preceding year, or expanding an 22 existing facility, or (ii) any firm that is used for generation and transmission of electricity 23 the

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locating within the taxing district during the 1 2 immediately preceding year or expanding its presence within the taxing district during the immediately 3 preceding year by construction of a new electric 4 5 generating facility that uses natural gas as its fuel, 6 or any firm that is used for production operations at a 7 new, expanded, or reopened coal mine within the taxing district, that has been certified as a High Impact 8 9 Business by the Illinois Department of Commerce and 10 Economic Opportunity. The property of any firm used for 11 the generation and transmission of electricity shall 12 include all property of the firm used for transmission 13 facilities as defined in Section 5.5 of the Illinois 14 Enterprise Zone Act. The abatement shall not exceed a 15 period of 10 years and the aggregate amount of abated 16 taxes for all taxing districts combined shall not 17 exceed \$4,000,000.

(A-5) Any property in the taxing district of a new
electric generating facility, as defined in Section
605-332 of the Department of Commerce and Economic
Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of
Illinois. The abatement shall not exceed a period of 10
years. The abatement shall be subject to the following
limitations:

(i) if the equalized assessed valuation of the
 new electric generating facility is equal to or

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greater than \$25,000,000 but less than \$50,000,000, then the abatement may not exceed (i) over the entire term of the abatement, 5% of the taxing district's aggregate taxes from the new electric generating facility and (ii) in any one year of abatement, 20% of the taxing district's taxes from the new electric generating facility;

8 (ii) if the equalized assessed valuation of 9 the new electric generating facility is equal to or 10 greater than \$50,000,000 but less than 11 \$75,000,000, then the abatement may not exceed (i) 12 over the entire term of the abatement, 10% of the 13 taxing district's aggregate taxes from the new 14 electric generating facility and (ii) in any one 15 year of abatement, 35% of the taxing district's 16 taxes from the new electric generating facility;

17 (iii) if the equalized assessed valuation of the new electric generating facility is equal to or 18 greater 19 than \$75,000,000 but less than 20 \$100,000,000, then the abatement may not exceed (i) over the entire term of the abatement, 20% of 21 22 the taxing district's aggregate taxes from the new 23 electric generating facility and (ii) in any one year of abatement, 50% of the taxing district's 24 25 taxes from the new electric generating facility; 26 (iv) if the equalized assessed valuation of

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the new electric generating facility is equal to or greater than \$100,000,000 but less than \$125,000,000, then the abatement may not exceed (i) over the entire term of the abatement, 30% of the taxing district's aggregate taxes from the new electric generating facility and (ii) in any one year of abatement, 60% of the taxing district's taxes from the new electric generating facility;

(v) if the equalized assessed valuation of the new electric generating facility is equal to or greater than \$125,000,000 but less than \$150,000,000, then the abatement may not exceed (i) over the entire term of the abatement, 40% of the taxing district's aggregate taxes from the new electric generating facility and (ii) in any one year of abatement, 60% of the taxing district's taxes from the new electric generating facility;

(vi) if the equalized assessed valuation of 18 19 the new electric generating facility is equal to or 20 greater than \$150,000,000, then the abatement may not exceed (i) over the entire term of the 21 22 abatement, 50% of the taxing district's aggregate 23 taxes from the new electric generating facility 24 and (ii) in any one year of abatement, 60% of the 25 taxing district's taxes from the new electric 26 generating facility.

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The abatement is not effective unless the owner of 1 2 the new electric generating facility agrees to repay to 3 the taxing district all amounts previously abated, together with interest computed at the rate and in the 4 5 manner provided for delinquent taxes, in the event that 6 the owner of the new electric generating facility 7 closes the new electric generating facility before the 8 expiration of the entire term of the abatement.

9 The authorization of taxing districts to abate 10 taxes under this subdivision (a)(1)(A-5) expires on 11 January 1, 2010.

12 (B) The property of any commercial or industrial 13 development of at least (i) 500 acres or (ii) 225 acres 14 in the case of a commercial or industrial development 15 that applies for and is granted designation as a High 16 Impact Business under paragraph (F) of item (3) of subsection (a) of Section 5.5 of the Illinois 17 Enterprise Zone Act, having been created within the 18 19 taxing district. The abatement shall not exceed a 20 period of 20 years and the aggregate amount of abated taxes for all taxing districts combined shall not 21 22 exceed \$12,000,000.

(C) The property of any commercial or industrial
 firm currently located in the taxing district that
 expands a facility or its number of employees. The
 abatement shall not exceed a period of 10 years and the

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aggregate amount of abated taxes for all taxing districts combined shall not exceed \$4,000,000. The abatement period may be renewed at the option of the taxing districts.

5 (2) Horse racing. Any property in the taxing district which is used for the racing of horses and upon which 6 7 capital improvements consisting of expansion, improvement 8 or replacement of existing facilities have been made since 9 July 1, 1987. The combined abatements for such property 10 from all taxing districts in any county shall not exceed 11 \$5,000,000 annually and shall not exceed a period of 10 12 years.

13 (3) Auto racing. Any property designed exclusively for
14 the racing of motor vehicles. Such abatement shall not
15 exceed a period of 10 years.

16 (4) Academic or research institute. The property of any 17 academic or research institute in the taxing district that is an exempt organization under paragraph (3) of 18 (i) 19 Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, (ii) operates 20 for the benefit of the public by actually and exclusively 21 performing scientific research and making the results of 22 the research available to the interested public on a 23 non-discriminatory basis, and (iii) employs more than 100 24 employees. An abatement granted under this paragraph shall 25 be for at least 15 years and the aggregate amount of abated 26 taxes for all taxing districts combined shall not exceed

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\$5,000,000.

2 (5) Housing for older persons. Any property in the taxing district that is devoted exclusively to affordable 3 housing for older households. For purposes of this 4 5 paragraph, "older households" means those households (i) 6 living in housing provided under any State or federal 7 program that the Department of Human Rights determines is 8 specifically designed and operated to assist elderly 9 persons and is solely occupied by persons 55 years of age 10 or older and (ii) whose annual income does not exceed 80% 11 of the area gross median income, adjusted for family size, 12 as such gross income and median income are determined from 13 time to time by the United States Department of Housing and 14 Urban Development. The abatement shall not exceed a period 15 of 15 years, and the aggregate amount of abated taxes for 16 all taxing districts shall not exceed \$3,000,000.

17 (6) Historical society. For assessment years 1998
18 through 2018, the property of an historical society
19 qualifying as an exempt organization under Section
20 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code.

(7) Recreational facilities. Any property in the taxing district (i) that is used for a municipal airport, (ii) that is subject to a leasehold assessment under Section 9-195 of this Code and (iii) which is sublet from a park district that is leasing the property from a municipality, but only if the property is used exclusively HB2655

for recreational facilities or for parking lots used
 exclusively for those facilities. The abatement shall not
 exceed a period of 10 years.

Relocated corporate headquarters. If 4 (8) approval 5 occurs within 5 years after the effective date of this 6 amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly, any property 7 or a portion of any property in a taxing district that is 8 used by an eligible business for a corporate headquarters 9 as defined in the Corporate Headquarters Relocation Act. 10 Instead of an abatement under this paragraph (8), a taxing 11 district may enter into an agreement with an eligible 12 business to make annual payments to that eligible business 13 in an amount not to exceed the property taxes paid directly 14 or indirectly by that eligible business to the taxing 15 district and any other taxing districts for premises 16 occupied pursuant to a written lease and may make those 17 payments without the need for an annual appropriation. No 18 school district, however, may enter into an agreement with, 19 or abate taxes for, an eligible business unless the 20 municipality in which the corporate headquarters is 21 located agrees to provide funding to the school district in 22 an amount equal to the amount abated or paid by the school 23 district as provided in this paragraph (8). Any abatement 24 ordered or agreement entered into under this paragraph (8) 25 may be effective for the entire term specified by the 26 taxing district, except the term of the abatement or annual

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1 payments may not exceed 20 years.

2 (9) United States Military Public/Private Residential 3 Developments. Each building, structure, or other improvement designed, financed, constructed, renovated, 4 5 managed, operated, or maintained after January 1, 2006 under a "PPV Lease", as set forth under Division 14 of 6 Article 10, and any such PPV Lease. 7

8 (10) Property located in a business corridor that 9 qualifies for an abatement under Section 18-184.10.

10 (11)Under Section 11-15.4-25 of the Illinois 11 Municipal Code, property located within an urban 12 agricultural area that is used by a qualifying farmer for 13 processing, growing, raising, or otherwise producing 14 agricultural products.

15 <u>(12) Property upon which affordable housing has been or</u> 16 <u>will be constructed in a development mixed with commercial</u> 17 <u>property. The value of the abatement under this paragraph</u> 18 <u>(12) may not exceed \$500,000.</u>

(b) Upon a majority vote of its governing authority, any municipality may, after the determination of the assessed valuation of its property, order the county clerk to abate any portion of its taxes on any property that is located within the corporate limits of the municipality in accordance with Section 8-3-18 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

25 (Source: P.A. 100-1133, eff. 1-1-19.)