

# HB3400



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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**HB3400**

Introduced 2/22/2021, by Rep. Rita Mayfield

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/5-15003

from Ch. 34, par. 5-15003

Amends the Water Supply, Drainage and Flood Control Division of the Counties Code. Removes a provision requiring a superintendent of public works employed by a county to be a registered professional engineer.

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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 Counties Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 5-15003 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-15003) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-15003)

7 Sec. 5-15003. Department of public works. The county board  
8 may establish a department of public works with authority to  
9 exercise complete supervision in such county over any of the  
10 projects authorized by this Division in either of the methods  
11 designated hereafter.

12 A. The county board may employ a superintendent of public  
13 works and such other employees for the administration of the  
14 department as may be necessary. The superintendent ~~shall be a~~  
15 ~~registered professional engineer and~~ shall have complete  
16 authority to supervise and manage the department; or

17 B. Each county public works department shall be managed by  
18 a board of public works, consisting of 5 members appointed by  
19 the President and Chairman of the county board, with the  
20 approval of the county board, for a 3 year term, except that of  
21 the first appointees, 2 shall serve for one year, 2 for 2  
22 years, and one for 3 years. The term of office of original  
23 appointees shall be regarded as beginning on July 1, following

1 their appointment, and the term of all members shall continue  
2 until their successors are appointed. At least 2 members must  
3 be elected officials of municipalities within the county whose  
4 terms of office within the municipalities will not expire  
5 prior to the termination of appointment hereunder, one member  
6 must be a member of the county board whose term of office will  
7 not expire prior to the termination of appointment hereunder,  
8 one member must be a trustee of a Sanitary District within the  
9 county whose term of office will not expire prior to the  
10 termination of appointment hereunder, and one member must be  
11 chosen to represent the Conservation and Public Health  
12 interests. The members of the board shall receive compensation  
13 as provided by the county board. The board of public works may  
14 employ a superintendent of public works and any other  
15 employees for the administration of the department as may be  
16 necessary. The superintendent must be a registered  
17 professional engineer. Any county may advance general funds  
18 for necessary studies or engineering for a project to be  
19 financed by revenue bonds and be reimbursed by the proceeds of  
20 such bonds. Any county may purchase such bonds with funds  
21 derived solely from the County Retailers Occupation Tax.

22 (Source: P.A. 86-962.)