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AN ACT in relation to municipalities.

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 adding Section 5 5-1041.2 as follows:

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(55 ILCS 5/5-1041.2 new)

Sec. 5-1041.2. Requests for refunds of cash 7 8 contributions; limitations; payments under protest. Any request for the refund of cash contributions paid in lieu of 9 land donations under this Division, and pursuant to a 10 county's ordinance, must be filed with the county within one 11 year after the date of payment or a longer period, as 12 specified in a county ordinance or in an annexation 13 14 agreement. Each request must state: (1) the name and address of the person who made the payment; (2) the amount of the 15 cash contribution; (3) the reasons for which a refund is 16 being requested; and (4) evidence that the contribution was 17 made under protest at the time of payment. The county may 18 19 institute procedures to facilitate consideration of refund requests and must require strict compliance with the 20 requirements of this Section. Failure to file a request 21 22 within one year and to comply with the requirements of this 23 Section constitute grounds for denial of the request.

24 Section 10. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by 25 adding Section 11-12-5.2 as follows:

26 (65 ILCS 5/11-12-5.2 new)
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28 <u>contributions; limitations; payment under protest. Any</u>
29 <u>request for the refund of cash contributions paid in lieu of</u>

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15 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on 16 January 1, 2004.