



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
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**HB2504**

Introduced 2/17/2005, by Rep. Karen A. Yarbrough

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

20 ILCS 3901/15  
20 ILCS 3901/17 new  
20 ILCS 3901/20

Amends the Addison Creek Restoration Commission Act. Authorizes the Addison Creek Restoration Commission to accept loans and advances, to levy taxes, and to borrow money and issue bonds. Effective July 1, 2005.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Addison Creek Restoration Commission Act is  
5 amended by changing Sections 15 and 20 and by adding Section 17  
6 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 3901/15)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

9 Sec. 15. Acceptance of grants, loans, advances, and  
10 appropriations. The Commission may apply for and accept  
11 grants, loans, advances, and appropriations from the federal  
12 government and from the State of Illinois or any agency or  
13 instrumentality thereof to be used for the purposes of the  
14 Commission and may enter into any agreement in relation to  
15 these grants, loans, advances, and appropriations. The  
16 Commission may also accept from the State, any State agency,  
17 department, or commission, any unit of local government, any  
18 railroad, school authority, or jointly therefrom, grants of  
19 funds or services for any of the purposes of this Act.

20 (Source: P.A. 93-948, eff. 8-19-04.)

21 (20 ILCS 3901/17 new)

22 Sec. 17. Borrowing money and issuance of bonds. The  
23 Commission may incur debt and borrow money from time to time  
24 and, in evidence thereof, may issue and sell bonds in such  
25 amount or amounts as the Commission may determine to provide  
26 funds for carrying out the purposes of this Act, to pay all  
27 costs and expenses incident to issuing the bonds, and to refund  
28 and refinance, from time to time, bonds so issued and sold, as  
29 often as may be deemed to be advantageous by the Commission.  
30 Before or at the time of issuing bonds, the Commission shall  
31 provide by ordinance for the collection of an annual tax

1 sufficient to pay the interest on the bonds as it falls due and  
2 to pay the bonds as they mature.

3 (20 ILCS 3901/20)

4 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

5 Sec. 20. Taxing powers.

6 (a) After the first Monday in October and by the first  
7 Monday in December in each year, the Commission shall levy the  
8 general taxes for the Commission by general categories for the  
9 next fiscal year. A certified copy of the levy ordinance shall  
10 be filed with the county clerk of each county in which the  
11 territory of the Commission is located by the last Tuesday in  
12 December each year.

13 (b) The amount of taxes levied for general corporate  
14 purposes for a fiscal year may not exceed the rate of .01% of  
15 the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of  
16 Revenue, of the taxable property within the territory of the  
17 Commission.

18 (c) This tax and tax rate are exclusive of the taxes  
19 required for the payment of the principal of and interest on  
20 bonds.

21 (d) The rate of tax levied for general corporate purposes  
22 may not be initially imposed or thereafter increased unless the  
23 board first adopts a resolution authorizing the initial  
24 imposition of the tax rate or the increase and publishes notice  
25 thereof in a newspaper having general circulation in the  
26 territory of the Commission at least once not less than 45 days  
27 prior to the effective date of the initial imposition of the  
28 tax rate or the increase. The notice shall include a statement  
29 of (1) the specific number of voters required to sign a  
30 petition requesting that the question of the adoption of the  
31 resolution be submitted to the electors of the territory of the  
32 Commission; (2) the time in which the petition must be filed;  
33 and (3) the date of the prospective referendum. The Commission  
34 shall provide a petition form to any individual requesting one.  
35 If, no later than 30 days after the publication of the notice,

1 petitions signed by voters of the territory of the Commission  
2 equal to 10% or more of the registered voters of the territory  
3 of the Commission, as determined by reference to the number of  
4 voters registered at the next preceding general election, and  
5 residing in the district are presented to the Commission  
6 expressing opposition to the imposition of the tax rate or the  
7 increase, the proposition must first be certified by the  
8 Commission to the proper election officials, who shall submit  
9 the proposition to the legal voters of the territory of the  
10 Commission at an election in accordance with the general  
11 election law and approved by a majority of those voting on the  
12 proposition.

13 The rate of the tax levied for general corporate purposes  
14 of the Commission may be initially imposed or thereafter  
15 increased, up to the maximum rate identified in subsection (b),  
16 by the Commission by a resolution calling for the submission of  
17 the question of imposing or increasing the rate to the voters  
18 of the Commission in accordance with the general election law.  
19 The question must be in substantially the following form:

20 Shall the Commission be authorized to establish its  
21 general corporate tax rate at (insert rate) on the  
22 equalized assessed value on all taxable property located  
23 within the territory of the Commission for its general  
24 purposes?

25 The ballot must have printed on it, but not as part of the  
26 proposition submitted, the following: "The approximate impact  
27 of the proposed (tax rate or increase) on the owner of a single  
28 family home having a market value of (insert value) would be  
29 (insert amount) in the first year of the (tax rate or increase)  
30 if the (tax rate or increase) is fully implemented." The ballot  
31 may have printed on it, but not as part of the proposition, one  
32 or both of the following: "The last tax rate extended for the  
33 purposes of the Commission was (insert rate). The last rate  
34 increase approved for the purposes of the Commission was in  
35 (insert year)." No other information needs to be included on  
36 the ballot.

1       The votes must be recorded as "Yes" or "No".

2       If a majority of the electors voting on the question vote

3 in the affirmative, the Commission may thereafter levy the tax.

4 ~~The Commission shall not have the power to levy real property~~

5 ~~taxes for any purpose whatsoever.~~

6       (Source: P.A. 93-948, eff. 8-19-04.)

7       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,

8       2005.