



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
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**SB2165**

Introduced 1/4/2006, by Sen. Ira I. Silverstein

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

765 ILCS 605/18.4

from Ch. 30, par. 318.4

Amends the Condominium Property Act. Provides that the Board of Managers may not make a rule or regulation that shall prohibit any reasonable accommodation for religious practices, including the attachment of religiously-mandated objects to the front door area of a condominium unit.

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1 AN ACT concerning property.

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

4 Section 5. The Condominium Property Act is amended by  
5 changing Section 18.4 as follows:

6 (765 ILCS 605/18.4) (from Ch. 30, par. 318.4)

7 Sec. 18.4. Powers and Duties of Board of Managers. The  
8 board of managers shall exercise for the association all  
9 powers, duties and authority vested in the association by law  
10 or the condominium instruments except for such powers, duties  
11 and authority reserved by law to the members of the  
12 association. The powers and duties of the board of managers  
13 shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

14 (a) To provide for the operation, care, upkeep,  
15 maintenance, replacement and improvement of the common  
16 elements. Nothing in this subsection (a) shall be deemed to  
17 invalidate any provision in a condominium instrument  
18 placing limits on expenditures for the common elements,  
19 provided, that such limits shall not be applicable to  
20 expenditures for repair, replacement, or restoration of  
21 existing portions of the common elements. The term "repair,  
22 replacement or restoration" means expenditures to  
23 deteriorated or damaged portions of the property related to  
24 the existing decorating, facilities, or structural or  
25 mechanical components, interior or exterior surfaces, or  
26 energy systems and equipment with the functional  
27 equivalent of the original portions of such areas.  
28 Replacement of the common elements may result in an  
29 improvement over the original quality of such elements or  
30 facilities; provided that, unless the improvement is  
31 mandated by law or is an emergency as defined in item (iv)  
32 of subparagraph (8) of paragraph (a) of Section 18, if the

1 improvement results in a proposed expenditure exceeding 5%  
2 of the annual budget, the board of managers, upon written  
3 petition by unit owners with 20% of the votes of the  
4 association delivered to the board within 14 days of the  
5 board action to approve the expenditure, shall call a  
6 meeting of the unit owners within 30 days of the date of  
7 delivery of the petition to consider the expenditure.  
8 Unless a majority of the total votes of the unit owners are  
9 cast at the meeting to reject the expenditure, it is  
10 ratified.

11 (b) To prepare, adopt and distribute the annual budget  
12 for the property.

13 (c) To levy and expend assessments.

14 (d) To collect assessments from unit owners.

15 (e) To provide for the employment and dismissal of the  
16 personnel necessary or advisable for the maintenance and  
17 operation of the common elements.

18 (f) To obtain adequate and appropriate kinds of  
19 insurance.

20 (g) To own, convey, encumber, lease, and otherwise deal  
21 with units conveyed to or purchased by it.

22 (h) To adopt and amend rules and regulations covering  
23 the details of the operation and use of the property, after  
24 a meeting of the unit owners called for the specific  
25 purpose of discussing the proposed rules and regulations.  
26 Notice of the meeting shall contain the full text of the  
27 proposed rules and regulations, and the meeting shall  
28 conform to the requirements of Section 18(b) of this Act,  
29 except that no quorum is required at the meeting of the  
30 unit owners unless the declaration, bylaws or other  
31 condominium instrument expressly provides to the contrary.  
32 However, no rule or regulation may impair any rights  
33 guaranteed by the First Amendment to the Constitution of  
34 the United States or Section 4 of Article I of the Illinois  
35 Constitution including, but not limited to, the free  
36 exercise of religion, nor may any rules or regulations

1 conflict with the provisions of this Act or the condominium  
2 instruments. No rule or regulation shall prohibit any  
3 reasonable accommodation for religious practices,  
4 including the attachment of religiously-mandated objects  
5 to the front door area of a condominium unit.

6 (i) To keep detailed, accurate records of the receipts  
7 and expenditures affecting the use and operation of the  
8 property.

9 (j) To have access to each unit from time to time as  
10 may be necessary for the maintenance, repair or replacement  
11 of any common elements or for making emergency repairs  
12 necessary to prevent damage to the common elements or to  
13 other units.

14 (k) To pay real property taxes, special assessments,  
15 and any other special taxes or charges of the State of  
16 Illinois or of any political subdivision thereof, or other  
17 lawful taxing or assessing body, which are authorized by  
18 law to be assessed and levied upon the real property of the  
19 condominium.

20 (l) To impose charges for late payment of a unit  
21 owner's proportionate share of the common expenses, or any  
22 other expenses lawfully agreed upon, and after notice and  
23 an opportunity to be heard, to levy reasonable fines for  
24 violation of the declaration, by-laws, and rules and  
25 regulations of the association.

26 (m) Unless the condominium instruments expressly  
27 provide to the contrary, by a majority vote of the entire  
28 board of managers, to assign the right of the association  
29 to future income from common expenses or other sources, and  
30 to mortgage or pledge substantially all of the remaining  
31 assets of the association.

32 (n) To record the dedication of a portion of the common  
33 elements to a public body for use as, or in connection  
34 with, a street or utility where authorized by the unit  
35 owners under the provisions of Section 14.2.

36 (o) To record the granting of an easement for the

1 laying of cable television cable where authorized by the  
2 unit owners under the provisions of Section 14.3; to  
3 obtain, if available and determined by the board to be in  
4 the best interests of the association, cable television  
5 service for all of the units of the condominium on a bulk  
6 identical service and equal cost per unit basis; and to  
7 assess and recover the expense as a common expense and, if  
8 so determined by the board, to assess each and every unit  
9 on the same equal cost per unit basis.

10 (p) To seek relief on behalf of all unit owners when  
11 authorized pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 10 from or  
12 in connection with the assessment or levying of real  
13 property taxes, special assessments, and any other special  
14 taxes or changes of the State of Illinois or of any  
15 political subdivision thereof or of any lawful taxing or  
16 assessing body.

17 (q) To reasonably accommodate the needs of a  
18 handicapped unit owner as required by the federal Civil  
19 Rights Act of 1968, the Human Rights Act and any applicable  
20 local ordinances in the exercise of its powers with respect  
21 to the use of common elements or approval of modifications  
22 in an individual unit.

23 (r) To accept service of a notice of claim for purposes  
24 of the Mechanics Lien Act on behalf of each respective  
25 member of the Unit Owners' Association with respect to  
26 improvements performed pursuant to any contract entered  
27 into by the Board of Managers or any contract entered into  
28 prior to the recording of the condominium declaration  
29 pursuant to this Act, for a property containing more than 8  
30 units, and to distribute the notice to the unit owners  
31 within 7 days of the acceptance of the service by the Board  
32 of Managers. The service shall be effective as if each  
33 individual unit owner had been served individually with  
34 notice.

35 In the performance of their duties, the officers and  
36 members of the board, whether appointed by the developer or

1 elected by the unit owners, shall exercise the care required of  
2 a fiduciary of the unit owners.

3 The collection of assessments from unit owners by an  
4 association, board of managers or their duly authorized agents  
5 shall not be considered acts constituting a collection agency  
6 for purposes of the Collection Agency Act.

7 The provisions of this Section are applicable to all  
8 condominium instruments recorded under this Act. Any portion of  
9 a condominium instrument which contains provisions contrary to  
10 these provisions shall be void as against public policy and  
11 ineffective. Any such instrument that fails to contain the  
12 provisions required by this Section shall be deemed to  
13 incorporate such provisions by operation of law.

14 (Source: P.A. 94-384, eff. 1-1-06.)