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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 2405/8	from Ch. 42, par. 307
735 ILCS 5/7-102	from Ch. 110, par. 7-102

Amends the Sanitary District Act of 1917 and the Code of Civil Procedure. Provides that no prior approval of the Illinois Commerce Commission shall be required for the condemnation of sewage collection and treatment works owned by a public utility and located within the boundaries of the sanitary district if the district continues to operate the works as a sewage collection and treatment system. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning local government.

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

Section 5. The Sanitary District Act of 1917 is amended by
changing Section 8 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 2405/8) (from Ch. 42, par. 307)

7 Sec. 8. The sanitary district may acquire by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise all real and personal property, 8 right of way and privilege, either within or without its 9 corporate limits that may be required for its corporate 10 purposes. If real property is acquired by condemnation, the 11 sanitary district may not sell or lease any portion of the 12 property for a period of 10 years after acquisition by 13 14 condemnation is completed. If, after such 10-year period, the 15 sanitary district decides to sell or lease the property, it must first offer the property for sale or lease to the previous 16 17 owner of the land from whom the sanitary district acquired the property. If the sanitary district and such previous owner do 18 19 not execute a contract for purchase or lease of the property 20 within 60 days from the initial offer, the sanitary district then may offer the property for sale or lease to any other 21 person. For the purposes of this Section no prior approval of 22 the Illinois Commerce Commission shall be required for 23 condemnation of sewage collection or treatment works owned by a 24 public utility and located within the boundaries of the 25 26 sanitary district if the works are to be used by the sanitary district either by operating the works as a separate system or 27 28 incorporating it into the sewage collection or treatment system of the sanitary district. If any district formed under this Act 29 30 is unable to agree with any other sanitary district upon the terms whereby it shall be permitted to use the drains, channels 31 32 or ditches of such other sanitary district, the right to such

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1 use may be acquired by condemnation in any circuit court by 2 proceedings as provided in Section 4-17 of the Illinois 3 Drainage Code. The compensation to be paid for such use may be 4 a gross sum, or it may be in the form of an annual rental, to be 5 paid in yearly installments as provided by the judgment of the 6 court wherein such proceedings may be had. However, when such compensation is fixed at a gross sum all moneys for the 7 8 purchase and condemnation of any property shall be paid before possession is taken or any work done on the premises damaged by 9 the construction of such channel or outlet, and in case of an 10 11 appeal from the circuit court taken by either party whereby the 12 amount of damages is not finally determined, then possession 13 may be taken, if the amount of judgment in such court is deposited at some bank or savings and loan association to be 14 15 designated by the court, subject to the payment of such damages 16 on orders signed by the circuit court, whenever the amount of 17 damages is finally determined. The sanitary district may sell, convey, vacate and release the real or personal property, right 18 19 of way and privileges acquired by it when no longer required 20 for the purposes of the district.

21 (Source: P.A. 90-558, eff. 12-12-97.)

22 Section 10. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by 23 changing Section 7-102 as follows:

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(735 ILCS 5/7-102) (from Ch. 110, par. 7-102)

25 Sec. 7-102. Parties. Where the right to take private 26 property for public use, without the owner's consent or the 27 right to construct or maintain any public road, railroad, 28 plankroad, turnpike road, canal or other public work or improvement, or which may damage property not actually taken 29 30 has been heretofore or shall hereafter be conferred by general special charter upon any corporate or municipal 31 law or authority, public body, officer or agent, person, commissioner 32 33 or corporation and the compensation to be paid for or in respect of the property sought to be appropriated or damaged 34

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1 for the purposes mentioned cannot be agreed upon by the parties 2 interested, or in case the owner of the property is incapable 3 of consenting, or the owner's name or residence is unknown, or the owner is a nonresident of the state, the party authorized 4 5 to take or damage the property so required, or to construct, 6 operate and maintain any public road, railroad, plankroad, turnpike road, canal or other public work or improvement, may 7 8 apply to the circuit court of the county where the property or 9 any part thereof is situated, by filing with the clerk a complaint, setting forth, by reference, his, her or their 10 11 authority in the premises, the purpose for which the property 12 is sought to be taken or damaged, a description of the property, the names of all persons interested therein as owners 13 or otherwise as appearing of record, if known, or if not known 14 stating that fact and praying such court to cause the 15 16 compensation to be paid to the owner to be assessed. If it 17 appears that any person not in being, upon coming into being, is, or may become or may claim to be, entitled to any interest 18 19 in the property sought to be appropriated or damaged the court 20 shall appoint some competent and disinterested person as guardian ad litem, to appear for and represent such interest in 21 the proceeding and to defend the proceeding on behalf of the 22 23 person not in being, and any judgment entered in the proceeding 24 shall be as effectual for all purposes as though the person was in being and was a party to the proceeding. If the proceeding 25 26 seeks to affect the property of persons under guardianship, the 27 guardians shall be made parties defendant. Persons interested, 28 whose names are unknown, may be made parties defendant by the same descriptions and in the same manner as provided in other 29 30 civil cases. Where the property to be taken or damaged is a 31 common element of property subject to a declaration of 32 condominium ownership pursuant to the Condominium Property Act or of a common interest community, the complaint shall name the 33 unit owners' association in lieu of naming the individual unit 34 35 owners and lienholders on individual units. Unit owners, 36 mortgagees and other lienholders may intervene as parties

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1 defendant. For the purposes of this Section "common interest 2 community" shall have the same meaning as set forth in 3 subsection (c) of Section 9-102 of the Code of Civil Procedure. 4 "Unit owners' association" or "association" shall refer to both the definition contained in Section 2 of the Condominium 5 Property Act and subsection (c) of Section 9-102 of the Code of 6 7 Civil Procedure. Where the property is sought to be taken or 8 damaged by the state for the purposes of establishing, operating or maintaining any state house or state charitable or 9 10 other institutions or improvements, the complaint shall be 11 signed by the governor or such other person as he or she shall 12 direct, or as is provided by law. No property, except property 13 described in either Section 3 of the Sports Stadium Act , or Article 11, Division 139, of the Illinois Municipal Code _ 14 15 Section 8 of the Sanitary District Act of 1917, and property 16 described as Site B in Section 2 of the Metropolitan Pier and 17 Exposition Authority Act, belonging to a railroad or other public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois 18 19 Commerce Commission may be taken or damaged, pursuant to the 20 provisions of Article VII of this Act, without the prior approval of the Illinois Commerce Commission. This amendatory 21 22 Act of 1991 (Public Act 87-760) is declaratory of existing law 23 and is intended to remove possible ambiguities, thereby 24 confirming the existing meaning of the Code of Civil Procedure and of the Illinois Municipal Code in effect before January 1, 25 26 1992 (the effective date of Public Act 87-760).

27 (Source: P.A. 89-683, eff. 6-1-97; 90-6, eff. 6-3-97.)

28 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 29 becoming law.