

AN ACT concerning local government.

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

Section 3. The Director of Corrections, on behalf of the State of Illinois, is authorized, prior to a date 3 years after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, to lease the real property, buildings, and other improvements comprising the Hopkins Park Correctional Center to the Village of Hopkins Park for a term of 99 years for the sum of \$1 per year, subject to the following conditions:

(1) The Village of Hopkins Park may use the leased property only for lawful purposes.

(2) The Village of Hopkins Park may sublease the property, without the consent of the State of Illinois, to any party only for lawful purposes.

(3) The Village of Hopkins Park must hold the State of Illinois harmless, for the duration of the lease, from any liability and any and all claims of any kind relating to the leased property.

(4) If any provision of this Section is violated by the Village of Hopkins Park or a sublessee, the leased property shall revert back to the State of Illinois without further action by the State of Illinois.

Section 5. The Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 2705-565 as follows:

(20 ILCS 2705/2705-565 new)

Sec. 2705-565. North Chicago property; study; conveyance.

(a) The Department shall perform a study of property owned by the Department consisting of approximately 160 acres located in North Chicago, south of IL Route 137, between IL Route 43

and US Route 41. The study shall include, but not be limited to, a survey of the property for the purpose of delineating jurisdictional wetlands in accordance with the Interagency Wetland Policy Act of 1989 and identifying threatened and endangered species in accordance with the Illinois Endangered Species Protection Act, for the purpose of identifying property no longer needed for highway purposes.

(b) Upon completion of the study and for a period ending 3 years after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, the City of North Chicago shall have an exclusive option to purchase for public purposes those portions of the property no longer needed for highway purposes for a consideration, which may be de minimus, negotiated by the parties. The Department of Transportation is authorized to convey the excess property to the City of North Chicago pursuant to this Section within 3 years after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, but may not otherwise convey or transfer the property during that period.

(c) Any conveyance to the City of North Chicago under this Section shall provide (i) that title to the property reverts to the State of Illinois if the property ceases to be used for public purposes and (ii) the City of North Chicago may lease the property but may not convey its ownership of the property to any party, other than the State of Illinois.

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