



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB5862

Introduced 11/12/2024, by Rep. Kevin John Olickal - Lindsey LaPointe

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

65 ILCS 5/11-5-12 new

Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that a municipality or a law enforcement agency may not enforce any provision of law restricting or punishing an individual for sleeping in public spaces in a nonobstructive manner within a municipality if the municipality's homeless population exceeds the number of available beds in homeless shelters within the municipality. Provides that "nonobstructive manner" means in a manner that does not render passageways, walkways, or roadways impassable or hazardous. Limits the concurrent exercise of home rule powers.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by
5 adding Section 11-5-12 as follows:

6 (65 ILCS 5/11-5-12 new)

7 Sec. 11-5-12. Restrictions or punishment of homeless
8 individual for sleeping in public.

9 (a) As used in this Section, "nonobstructive manner" means
10 in a manner that does not render passageways, walkways, or
11 roadways impassable or hazardous.

12 (b) A municipality or a law enforcement agency may not
13 enforce any provision of law restricting or punishing an
14 individual for sleeping in public spaces in a nonobstructive
15 manner within a municipality if the municipality's homeless
16 population exceeds the number of available beds in homeless
17 shelters within the municipality.

18 (c) A home rule municipality may not regulate sleeping in
19 public spaces in a manner inconsistent with this Section. This
20 Section is a limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of
21 Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent
22 exercise by home rule units of powers and functions exercised
23 by the State.