

AN ACT concerning children's advocacy.

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

Section 5. The Children's Advocacy Center Act is amended
by changing Section 5 as follows:

(55 ILCS 80/5) (from Ch. 23, par. 1805)

Sec. 5. Referendum.

(a) Whenever a petition signed by 1% of the electors who voted in the last general election in any county is presented to the county board requesting the submission of the proposition whether an annual tax of not to exceed .004% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all taxable property in the county shall be levied for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a Children's Advocacy Center, the county board shall adopt a resolution for the submission of the proposition to the electors at the next regular election held in the county in accordance with the general election law.

(b) Upon the adoption and certification of the resolution, the proposition shall be submitted at the next regular election held in the county. The proposition shall be in substantially the following form:

"Shall an annual tax of not more than ~~to~~
exceed per cent be levied on the value of
all taxable property in County (this
tax will amount to an annual increase of
approximately on a home with a market value of
\$100,000) for the purpose of establishing and
maintaining a Children's Advocacy Center to
coordinate the investigation, prosecution, and
treatment referral of child sexual abuse in

County serve-the-county?".

The election authority must record the votes as "Yes" or "No".

(c) If a majority of the electors of the county voting on the proposition vote in favor thereof, the proposition shall be deemed adopted.

(d) The adoption of a referendum is not required to establish a Children's Advocacy Center if the Center may be or is operated with funds other than the proceeds of the annual tax that is authorized by referendum.

(Source: P.A. 92-785, eff. 8-6-02.)

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