

AN ACT concerning State government.

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

Section 5. The Capital Development Board Act is amended by adding Section 17 as follows:

(20 ILCS 3105/17 new)

Sec. 17. Historic area preference.

(a) The State of Illinois shall give preference to locating its facilities, whenever operationally appropriate and economically feasible, in historic properties and buildings located within government recognized historic districts or central business districts designated as such by a local or regional planning agency.

When making a determination that a project is operationally appropriate and economically feasible, the following shall also be taken into consideration:

(1) Need for geographic diversity to service a clientele population.

(2) Promoting regional and local economic development.

(3) Availability of space in historic buildings, districts, and central business districts.

(4) Cost of available space.

(5) Proximity of public transportation and affordable

housing.

(6) Public safety.

(b) The following State facilities are exempted from the requirements of this Section:

(1) Correctional facilities.

(2) Facilities owned or used by any public university or college.

(3) State parks, nature areas, and similar facilities.

(4) State highways and roads and supporting facilities.

(5) New buildings that support the function or operation of an existing facility or campus.

This Section shall not apply to any facilities occupied by the State of Illinois prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly or to any project for which a lease or construction contract is in effect as of the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly.

Section 10. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by adding Section 45-75 as follows:

(30 ILCS 500/45-75 new)

Sec. 45-75. Historic area preference. State agencies with responsibilities for leasing, acquiring, or maintaining State facilities shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any

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regulations, policies, and procedures that impede the goals of
Section 17 of the Capital Development Board Act.

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