

AN ACT concerning local government.

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

Section 5. The Township Code is amended by adding Section 170-65 as follows:

(60 ILCS 1/170-65 new)

Sec. 170-65. Dissolution of the Wood River Township Hospital.

(a) Dissolution.

(1) The Wood River Township Hospital is dissolved 180 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly.

(2) In the 180-day period prior to dissolution, the hospital board shall be vested with the powers to wrap up the affairs of the closed hospital under subsection (b) of this Section, and to transfer any remaining hospital funds under subsection (c) of this Section.

(b) Wrapping up the affairs of the Wood River Township Hospital.

(1) Within the first 10 business days of the 180-day period provided in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, the chairman of the hospital board shall cause an audit of all claims against the Wood River Township

Hospital, all receipts of the Wood River Township Hospital, the inventory of all real and personal property owned by the Wood River Township Hospital or under its control or management, and any debts owed by the Wood River Township Hospital. The chairman may, at his or her discretion, undertake any other audit of the Wood River Township Hospital. The person or entity conducting such audit shall report the findings of the audit to the hospital board within 30 days.

(2) Following the return of the audit provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the hospital board shall:

(i) Pay the debts, obligations, and liabilities of the Wood River Township Hospital that are outstanding upon completion of the audit in paragraph (1) of this subsection and all necessary expenses of closing up the affairs of the Wood River Township Hospital.

(ii) Enter into an agreement with a hospital within Madison County to ensure all patient records are properly transferred. If no hospital in Madison County is able or willing to accept the records, the records may be transferred to a hospital within a neighboring county contiguous to Madison County. The Wood River Township Hospital will be responsible for paying a reasonable service fee to the hospital that accepts and retains records pursuant to this subsection. Following successful transfer of the patient records, the

receiving hospital shall retain and destroy the transferred patient records in accordance with the receiving hospital's record retention schedule and policies.

(iii) Sell the property of the Wood River Township Hospital if any excess remains after all the liabilities of the Wood River Township Hospital are paid.

(c) Transfer of surplus funds. If any funds are available, the hospital board shall transfer, no later than 10 business days prior to the conclusion of the 180-day period provided in subsection (a) of this Section, all surplus funds, if any, to the Madison County Treasurer to be maintained in the Wood River Township Hospital Fund and be disposed of pursuant to subsection (d) of this Section.

If any liabilities remain, the funds available shall be set apart by the Madison County Treasurer and held for the purpose of retiring such liabilities.

(d) Payment of remaining liabilities and disposal of surplus funds. The Madison County Clerk shall pay any remaining liabilities of the Wood River Township Hospital from the Wood River Township Hospital Fund. After all the liabilities of the Wood River Township Hospital are paid, the Madison County Clerk shall distribute any funds remaining in the Wood River Township Hospital Fund to the property owners in Wood River Township as of the date of dissolution of Wood River Township Hospital. The

distribution shall be proportional to the assessed value of the property in the 2005 levy year.

(e) Outstanding indebtedness.

(1) In the event that the Wood River Township Hospital has notes outstanding which are a lien on funds available in the Wood River Township Hospital Fund at the time of dissolution, such lien shall be unimpaired by such dissolution and the lien shall continue in favor of the note holders.

(2) In the event that the Wood River Township Hospital has unsecured debts outstanding at the time of dissolution, any funds in the Wood River Township Hospital Fund or otherwise available and not committed shall, to the extent necessary, be applied to the payment of such debts.

(3) Madison County may levy a tax, on behalf of the Wood River Township Hospital, upon all taxable real property located in Wood River Township for the purpose of paying the outstanding debts and obligations of the Wood River Township Hospital.

(f) Tax collection and enforcement. The dissolution of the Wood River Township Hospital shall not adversely affect proceedings for the collection or enforcement of any tax. Those proceedings shall continue to finality as though no dissolution had taken place. The proceeds thereof shall be paid over to the Madison County Treasurer to be transferred pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section. Proceedings to collect and

enforce such taxes may be instituted and carried on in the name of the Wood River Township Hospital.

(g) Litigation. All suits pending in any court on behalf of or against the Wood River Township Hospital may be prosecuted or defended in the name of Madison County by the State's attorney. All judgments obtained for the Wood River Township Hospital shall be collected and enforced by Madison County and transferred and disposed of pursuant to subsections (c) and (d) of this Section respectively.

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