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September 25, 2023

Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

On behalf of all 1,294 municipalities throughout the state, the Illinois Municipal League (IML) opposed a specific provision within House Bill 2507 (property tax omnibus bill) that requires, beginning with tax year 2023, nursing homes and specialized mental health facilities to be assessed at the same rate as residential property.

While IML supports many other aspects of this legislation, we opposed this exact provision of the omnibus bill as it will likely increase the property tax burden for residents and businesses in municipalities within Cook County that have those facilities.

On August 11, 2023, Governor JB Pritzker issued an amendatory veto of HB 2507, striking this language from the bill. **We support the amendatory veto.**

IML requests that the amendatory veto is sustained by the General Assembly, as assessing nursing homes and other facilities at the residential property tax rate will drive up costs for others.

IML respectfully requests that you vote to approve the Governor's amendatory veto and do not move to override his changes. Further, IML asks that you contact your caucus leadership and request they do the same on behalf of the communities you represent.

Please feel welcome to contact me by phone at (217) 525-1220 or by email at bcole@iml.org, if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks.

Yours very truly,



BRAD COLE
Executive Director

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