



# Section on Local Government Law

## **The Mission of the [ISBA Local Government Law Section](#):**

To enhance the knowledge and professional capabilities of lawyers who devote time to the practice of the law relating to units of local government; to disseminate information and comment on legislative and judicial developments and their impact on units of local government; to make recommendations on legislation; and to develop and communicate ideas to improve the functioning of units of local government.

## **General:**

- ◆ Section fees are \$25 per year.
- ◆ To join, go to [www.isba.org/sections](http://www.isba.org/sections)

## **Continuing Legal Education**

Section members receive discounts on section-sponsored CLE programs.

## **Legislation**

**The Section Council reviews proposed legislation that may affect their members' practice area. Highlights of the most recent legislative session include:**

1. Number of bills reviewed: 179
2. Significant legislation:
  - a. House Bill 4715 – FOIA
  - b. House Bill 4603 - Counties Code
  - c. Senate Bill 2343 - Cell site simulator device

## **Other**

- ◆ [The ISBA Local Government Law Discussion List](#) allows section members to pose questions and share information with fellow section members from around the state.

## **Newsletters**

**Delivered electronically unless otherwise requested. During 2015-16 the Section published seven newsletters. Articles include:**

- ◆ Can dedicated property subject to a mortgage in default be subject to a foreclosure action? (Sept. 2015)
- ◆ Case summaries (Nov. 2015)  
Case summaries (June 2016)
- ◆ Case summaries (Jan. 2016)
- ◆ Conditions on special use permits: Will they be upheld if challenged? (Dec. 2015)
- ◆ Potential impact of hospital tax exempt status on local government entities (Dec. 2015)
- ◆ Prevailing Wage and the TIF Act (Mar. 2016)
- ◆ Private communications and FOIA: Policy questions in search of answers (Nov. 2015)
- ◆ P.S.E.B.A.—What is an emergency? (Sept. 2015)
- ◆ The Public Duty Rule ends in Illinois (Mar. 2016)
- ◆ Recent PAC opinion and materials (June 2016)
- ◆ Recent Public Access Counselor opinions and materials (Jan. 2016)
- ◆ Second District provides recapture rights not subject to foreclosure (Mar. 2016)
- ◆ Suing certain governmental entities for willful and wanton misconduct just became easier—Illinois abandons the public duty rule (May 2016)
- ◆ What am I forgetting: So many ways to get tripped up (May 2016)
- ◆ Who has standing to bring a lawsuit when a public body's computers are stolen? (Nov. 2015)