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## Survey: Majority of District 100 Residents Say Close Perry School

*Public hearing on closure scheduled*  
**Sofi Zeman**  
*Contributing writer*

More than 200 people told Belvidere District 100 that officials should shutter its smallest neighborhood elementary school, according to a presentation during a recent school board meeting.

Of the 400 people who responded to a phone call survey that school board members approved last month, 56% said it would make sense to close Perry Elementary instead of investing in long-term capital projects on the dated building.

Among that group, 20% said they were unsure what to do with the school and about 25% opposed the decision. Of those who opposed the decision, 3% strongly opposed closing Perry.

The school, which serves 175 students in Central Belvidere, has been open since 1897. Renovating the building to modern-day standards would cost at least \$7 million; a complete rebuild would cost closer to \$18 million. Those in favor of closing Perry said it was because the school was old and outdated, costly to update, would save the district money with its closure and because “Kids Deserve Better,” according to survey results.

“They are making a financial decision on this,” said a representative of The Morris Leatherman Company, a group that worked with Nexus to conduct the survey asking people how to address the school’s infrastructure needs.

Meanwhile, the people who opposed closing the school said Perry’s absence would break up a tight-knit community of staff, family, and students; that it would cause overcrowding at other schools; longer commutes; and that it would mean closing a historic building, among other reasons.

The survey results came a few weeks after District 100 Trustees approved issuing a community survey to assess whether people thought the school was worth saving. That survey began on Feb. 24. It also asked whether District 100 should invest in long-needed infrastructure repairs and an Early Childhood Center.

Now that those results are in, District 100’s board needs to make a decision. And that has to happen soon, Superintendent Cassandra Schug said.

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# Foster Statement on DHS Funding Vote

Congressman Bill Foster (D-IL) issued the following statement:

“As I have said throughout this DHS shut-down, I will vote NO on any funding for ICE that does not include serious reforms.

“After Operation Midway Blitz and the killing of two Americans in Minneapolis, it is clear

that ICE is poorly trained and unaccountable. Republicans have had every opportunity to govern rationally by funding DHS while reining in ICE agents’ unchecked power.

“Meanwhile, there are hours-long lines at airports and gaps in our national security because Republicans in the House and Senate can’t agree on what they want to do. The Republican-controlled Senate unanimously passed a deal that would have funded TSA while allowing negotiations to continue to reform ICE and Customs and Border

Protection—but House Republicans rejected their own party’s bill and skipped town without doing their jobs. Now everything is back to square one.

“Finally, when faced with this embarrassing Republican infighting, Trump decided to tap into one of the multi-billion-dollar slush funds from his Big Beautiful Bill to at least get TSA agents paid—something that he could have done weeks ago and spared everybody this pain. But inflicting unnecessary pain, it seems, has always been the point of his immigration policies.”

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## Perry

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“If we are going to look at the closing of Perry, we need to do it right away in terms of urgency,” she said. “I know that’s, clearly, we have people in the room waiting to hear what direction we’re going to go in here.”

District 100 plans to hold three public hearings regarding the school’s potential closure during the second week of April. Hearings will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on April 6, 7, and 9.

Those hearings will take place in the district’s central office, located at 1201 5th Avenue in Belvidere.

“The purpose of the hearing will be to receive input from the community, to discuss the potential reconfiguration of our school buildings, and to discuss the decision to possibly close Perry Elementary School, 633 W. Perry St, Belvidere, IL. By order of the President of the Board of Education of Belvidere CUSD 100,” according to a meeting notice issued by the school district.

People who want to participate in that hearing must attend the meeting in person. The hearing will be live-streamed for those who would like to tune in from home. The district will have Spanish translation services, according to District 100.

## University Funding Overhaul Bill Advances In House Despite U of I Opposition

*Legislation would create a need-based formula for universities similar to one used for K-12 schools*

Peter Hancock Capitol News Illinois

A bill that would overhaul the way Illinois funds its public universities advanced out of a House committee Thursday and could face a vote by the full House soon, despite continued opposition from the University of Illinois System, the state’s flagship institution.

House Bill 1581, titled the “Adequate and Equitable Public University Funding Act,” would establish a needs-based formula for distributing new funding for universities similar to the Evidence-Based Funding mechanism that has been used for K-12 school funding since 2018.

It calls for increasing university funding in Illinois by about \$135 million each year over the next 15 years. That new funding would be distributed under a formula that sets an adequacy

target for each institution and gives priority for new funding to those institutions furthest away from their target.

Rep. Carol Ammons, D-Urbana, the bill’s lead House sponsor, said funding for the plan would be subject to legislative appropriations each year while HB 1581 merely establishes a policy under which the new money would be distributed.

“The purpose of this is to establish a funding formula that gives us a baseline that will allow us to build an adequate system for the future,” she told the committee. “This process looks at real consequences, real students, real institutions, some of which are so far from adequacy at 40% to 43% funded from the state.”

The proposal came from a commission lawmakers established in 2021 to develop a new funding system for state universities, some of which were nearly decimated financially by the two-year budget impasse that ran from 2015 to 2017 during former Gov. Bruce Rauner’s administration.

Public universities generally have three main sources of revenue for their day-to-day operations: state funding; student tuition and fees, and federal funding. Many also have sizeable endowment funds that receive charitable donations from alumni and

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**Drugs**

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Action/Illinois, a statewide progressive policy coalition, found that Illinois could save nearly \$2 billion on its state employee health plans in the first year with a PDAB through automatically adopting the first 10 federally negotiated Medicare drug prices.

But Dana Stoerger from the Illinois Department of Central Management Services, which opposed the bill, said that estimate was inflated because it was based on incomplete data that the department provided.

“The information provided did not have any of the rebate information built into our PBM (pharmacy benefit manager) structure,” Stoerger said. “That’s proprietary information for the PBM, so we’re not allowed to disclose it.”

Patrick Hostert from the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services also opposed the bill, citing its unknown impact on Medicaid rebates. Under that existing program, drug manufacturers and states negotiate rebates on certain Medicaid drugs. Hostert said IDHFS is concerned about losing those rebates because the bill does not explicitly protect them.

“As written, we’re worried that the state would not have the ability to earn those supplemental rebates through our program currently,” Hostert said.

Hostert and Syed both added that they are

working on amending the bill to remove the agency’s opposition.

“We do not know what medical rebates will be lost to this bill. I would be curious if CMS would be able to provide their own estimations, as well. We’ve inquired about the rebates with them, they’re not able to share it,” Syed said.

**Accountability concerns**

Some lawmakers echoed those concerns about rebates and said they’d like to see clearer accountability processes.

“Who are we answering to?” Rep. Nicole La Ha, R-Lemont, asked. “Who are we giving financial audits? Who is regulating? Who are going to be the people that hold this board accountable?”

The five board members would be appointed by and report to the governor, Syed said. And it would be subject to the same financial, ethical and Freedom of Information Act rules as other state agencies. But Republicans said they wanted to see that written out in the bill.

Lawmakers also addressed concerns about the costs of the board, which Anusha Thotakura, executive director of Citizen Action, said are about \$828,000 on average for other boards. That would include costs for full- and part-time staff members and contractors for affordability surveys.

Syed added that she has considered amendments brought by stakeholders but rejected some that would render the board unable to implement UPLs. Without that ability, she said, the board would lack any real power to create savings for the state and residents.

“I believe in what we’re doing, and I know that this is something that would be beneficial to my constituents and to your constituents,” Syed said.

The measure still needs approval from both chambers of the legislature and the governor before it can become law.

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**Higher Ed**

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other philanthropists, but those funds are usually restricted for specific purposes.

In Illinois, as in most states, state funding used to make up the largest single source of a university’s total funding, followed by tuition and fees. Federal funds, not including student financial aid such as Pell grants, typically account for only about 10% to 12% of a university’s total revenue.

But since around the 1980s, according to the National Center for Education Statistics, as higher education costs have risen, states have not kept pace, forcing universities to rely more heavily on tuition and fees.

Jay Gatrell, president of Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, told the committee that trend has had a disproportionate impact on smaller regional universities compared to larger flagship universities.

“The reality is that regional public universities serve a significantly greater proportion of low-income, first-generation and underserved students than our nation’s flagship campuses do,” he said. “For that reason, higher education funding like the K-12 model should account for these disparities.”

According to estimates provided to the committee, if the proposed formula were being used today, EIU would be ranked as one of the neediest universities in the state, with funding currently at only 49% of its adequacy target. Only Western Illinois University in Macomb, at 48% of its adequacy target, would rank lower.

**U of I is most-adequately funded**

The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus, currently at 89% of its adequacy target, is considered the most adequately funded school under the proposed model and would therefore be last in line for new funding.

Nicholas Jones, executive vice president for the U of I System — which also includes campuses in Chicago and Springfield — said that would be unfair to an institution that serves 53% of all public university students in Illinois.

“Equity and adequacy are shared goals, but the proposed equitable funding legislation does not achieve equity or adequacy,” he said. “Instead, it redistributes resources in ways that under-resource the state’s strongest public universities, those that drive Illinois’ workforce development, anchor the research enterprise and empower economic competitiveness.”

The bill passed the House committee that deals with higher education appropriations by a vote of 12-4. The vote came as House members were working hard to meet a Friday deadline for House bills to pass out of committees.

As that deadline approached, many bills passed out of various committees with a verbal understanding that they would be brought back for further amendments before being voted on by the full House. But Ammons said she expects no further substantive amendments to the higher education funding bill, adding, “But I’m open to talk to anyone who wants to talk to me.”

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Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2022  
Sold for Special Assessment of N/A (municipality) and Special Assessment Number N/A  
Warrant No. \_\_\_\_\_ N/A  
Inst. No. N/A

**THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES**

Property located at 1909 CANDLEWICK DR. SW, POPLAR GROVE, IL

Legal Description or Property Index No. 03-27-401-006

This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/22/2026

The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals

from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming.

This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/22/2026.

This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Belvidere, Illinois, on 8/25/2026 in the Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. MAIN ST. BELVIDERE, IL 60108, Courtroom 3 at 9:00 A.M. VIA ZOOM [www.Zoom.us/join](http://www.Zoom.us/join) MEETING ID #96397918024.

You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time.

**YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY**

Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/22/2026 by applying to the County Clerk of Boone County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Belvidere, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. Boone County Clerk 1212 Logan Ave., Suite 103, Belvidere, IL 61008 (815) 544-3103

INTERSTATE FUNDING CORP.

PURCHASER or ASSIGNEE

Dated: 2/20/2026

Published in The Boone County Journal March 31, April 7, 14

**TO: STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, LIEN UNIT, SAMANTHA SILVESTRI, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, S/I/I TO WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, UNITED STATES DISTRICT ATTORNEY, UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL, ROBERT WISNIEWSKI, ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL, OCCUPANT, DISTRICT DIRECTOR-I.R.S., CHERYL SILVESTRI, PARTIES IN OCCUPANCY OR ACTUAL POSSESSION OF SAID PROPERTY; UNKNOWN OWNERS OR PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID LAND OR LOT.  
BOONE COUNTY CLERK  
TAX DEED NO. 2026TX4 FILED 2/11/2026**

**TAKE NOTICE**

County of Boone, State of Illinois Date Premises Sold 10/26/2023  
Certificate No. 2022-00222  
Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2022  
Sold for Special Assessment of N/A  
(municipality) and Special Assessment Number N/A  
Warrant No. \_\_\_\_\_ N/A  
Inst. No. N/A

**THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES**

Property located at 1811 BRIDGEWATER DR., BELVIDERE, IL  
Legal Description or Property Index No. 06-30-353-012

This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/22/2026

The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming.

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**ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY Given to the legal voters, residents of the Town of LeRoy in the county of Boone and State of Illinois, that the Annual Town Meeting of said Town will take place on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 7:00 P.M. at LeRoy Town Hall for the transaction of the miscellaneous business of the said town, and after a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers and decide upon such measures as may in pursuance of the law come before the meeting.

Dated March 12, 2026

Jamie Murray

Town Clerk

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**ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING**

Spring Township will be having its Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday April 14, 2026 at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Town Hall located at 3150 Shattuck Rd. Belvidere, IL. Annual Financial reports will be presented at the meeting.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
BOONE COUNTY  
PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of: **JOHN ROBERT DANIS, Decedent**  
**2026-PR-11**

**CLAIM NOTICE**

NOTICE is given of the death of JOHN ROBERT DANIS, who died on January 10, 2026. Letters of Office were issued on March 16, 2026, to Stephen D. Lundgren, of 1628 Hidden Creek Lane, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, who is the Executor of the estate. The attorney for the estate is Douglas R. Henry, of Barrick, Switzer, Long, Balsley & Van Evera, LLP, 6833 Stalter Drive, Rockford, Illinois 61108.

Claims against the Estate may be filed on or before September 30, 2026, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of first publication, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975 as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed by the requisite date stated above shall be barred.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Boone County Circuit Clerk, Probate Division at the Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. Main Street, Belvidere, IL, or with the Estate Executor, or both.

Copies of claims filed with the Boone County Circuit Clerk's Office, Probate Division, must be mailed or delivered to the Estate Executor and to his/her attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Dated: March 26, 2026  
/s/ Stephen D. Lundgren, Executor  
DOUGLAS R. HENRY - #6229426  
BARRICK, SWITZER, LONG,  
BALSLEY & VAN EVERA, LLP  
6833 Stalter Drive  
P.O. Box 17109  
Rockford, IL 61110-7109  
(815) 962-6611  
dhenry@bslbv.com

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**NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of Belvidere Community Unit School District 100 ("the Board") is accepting sealed proposals from licensed Illinois Real Estate Brokerages to provide exclusive listing and marketing services for the surplus property located at:

7133 Garden Prairie Road, Garden Prairie, IL 61038 (PIN: 06-25-300-010)

Project Background: Following a failed public sealed-bid process conducted pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/5-22, the Board has resolved to engage a professional broker to secure a private sale. The property consists of approximately 6.67 acres and a standalone educational facility, to be delivered vacant in July 2026.

Submission Requirements: All bids must be submitted through SECURE BIDS. Link to District 100 SECURE BIDS website at <https://colbisecurebids.com/agency/bcusd100>.

Proposal specifications are available through the District's SECURE BIDS website at <https://colbisecurebids.com/agency/bcusd100>. If you have any questions, please contact the District Office at 815-544-8616 or via email at [purchasing@district100.com](mailto:purchasing@district100.com).

Deadline: All proposals are due by Friday, April 17, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. CST, and a public bid opening will take place at 1:30 p.m. CST the same day at the Administrative Building, 1201 5th Avenue, Belvidere, IL 61008. All vendors are welcome to attend the bid opening.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the paperwork, and to award the contract to the firm that best serves the interests of the School District and its taxpayers.

Holly Houk, Clerk  
Board of Education  
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**NOTICE**

Belvidere Community Unit School District #100 is seeking bids for Secure Entry Project Re-Bid Work Scope 3 Site Concrete & Work Scope 4 General Trades. This bid also includes receiving bids for Work Scope 8, Aluminum, Glass Doors, and Glazing, which was previously part of Work Scope 4 General Trades.

A pre-bid contractor site walk-through will be held at the project site on April 7th, 2026, at 10:00 am. Meet at Belvidere High School front entrance for the pre-bid meeting.

All bids are due by April 21st, 2026, 2:00 pm, and a public bid opening will take place at 2:30 pm the same day at the Administrative Building, 1201 5th Avenue, Belvidere, IL 61008. All vendors are welcome to attend the bid request opening.

All bids must be submitted through SECURE BIDS. Link to CUSD 100 website with SECURE BIDS <https://colbisecurebids.com/agency/bcusd100>.

Proposal specifications will be available through the SECURE BIDS website. If you have any questions, please contact the District Office at 815-544-8616 or via email at [Purchasing@District100.com](mailto:Purchasing@District100.com).

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
Holly Houk, Clerk  
Board of Education  
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**BOONE COUNTY MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP**

Notice is hereby Given  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
April 14, 2026, 7:00 p.m.  
Manchester Township Building  
20904 Grade School Road,  
Caledonia, IL 61011

(Published in the Boone County Journal 3/31/26)

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Boone County Board will receive bids marked BCG-2026-03 to replace the cooling system at the Boone County Jail located at 615 North Main Street, Belvidere 61008. There is a mandatory pre-bidder meeting for the project on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 10:00am CST at the Public Safety Building at 615 N Main Street, Belvidere IL 61008. Contractors will meet in the lobby of the Public Safety Building.

Bid documents will be available on or after March 30th, 2026. Those interested may visit the Boone County Website at [https://www.boonecountyil.gov/businesses/bids\\_rfp\\_s.php](https://www.boonecountyil.gov/businesses/bids_rfp_s.php) for further details. Copies of the Bid Documents will be available for viewing in the Boone County Clerks Office located at 1212 Logan Avenue, Suite 103, Belvidere, IL 61008. Bids will be accepted at the Boone County Clerks Office until Friday, April 24th, 2026 at 11:00 A.M. Bids will be opened at 11 A.M. the same day in the Boone County Board Room located at 1212 Logan Avenue, Belvidere, Illinois 61008.

Boone County Government reserves the right to accept or reject all bids.  
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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR FLORA TOWNSHIP ON APRIL 14, 2026. LOCATED AT 3100 TOWNHALL RD., BELVIDERE, IL 61008. TIME OF THE MEETING WILL BE 6:00 PM.**

The Annual Town Meeting for Flora Township will be 04/14/2026 and start promptly at 6:00 PM.

The regular meeting will start promptly following the Annual Town Meeting for Flora Township  
Should you have any questions, feel free to call Kenneth Freeman, Flora Township Clerk at 815-509-1222.

Sincerely,  
Kenneth Freeman, Flora Township Clerk  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY of BOONE COUNTY  
ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

No. DBA 4271 - The undersigned person(s) do hereby certify that a PERSONAL CARE business is or is to be conducted or transacted under the name of RADIANT PERSONAL CARE that its location is or will be 1411 ILES AVE in BELVIDERE, in the County of Boone County, State of Illinois, and that the true or real name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting, or transacting the same with the post office address or address of said person(s) is shown below.

Phone Number: 779-208-1492  
JOSE FRANCISCO COLLAZO JR.  
1411 ILES AVE. BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS 61008  
I, Amy E. Ohlsen, Clerk and Recorder of Boone County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of an Assumed Name Certificate on file in my office. Dated: March 10, 2026  
Amy E. Ohlsen, Clerk and Recorder of Boone County  
Published in Boone County Journal 03/17,24,31 P.

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY of BOONE COUNTY  
ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

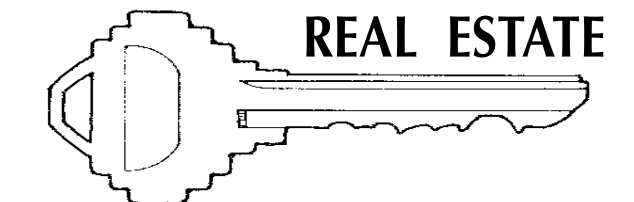
No. DBA 4272 - The undersigned person(s) do hereby certify that a INTERNET RETAIL business is or is to be conducted or transacted under the name of CARD MANIA that its location is or will be 1220 W. JACKSON ST in BELVIDERE, in the County of Boone County, State of Illinois, and that the true or real name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting, or transacting the same with the post office address or address of said person(s) is shown below.

Phone Number: 815-979-5386  
ROSEMARIE COLDIRON  
1220 W. JACKSON ST BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS 61008  
I, Amy E. Ohlsen, Clerk and Recorder of Boone County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of an Assumed Name Certificate on file in my office. Dated: March 19, 2026  
Amy E. Ohlsen, Clerk and Recorder of Boone County  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY of BOONE COUNTY  
ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

No. DBA 4273 - The undersigned person(s) do hereby certify that a AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR business is or is to be conducted or transacted under the name of LOGAN AVENUE MOBILE that its location is or will be 220 LOGAN AVE. in BELVIDERE, in the County of Boone County, State of Illinois, and that the true or real name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting, or transacting the same with the post office address or address of said person(s) is shown below.

Phone Number: 815-547-5560  
TAMI JEAN TEMPLE  
10290 RUSSELLVILLE RD BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS 61008  
I, Amy E. Ohlsen, Clerk and Recorder of Boone County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of an Assumed Name Certificate on file in my office. Dated: March 23, 2026  
Amy E. Ohlsen, Clerk and Recorder of Boone County  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
**LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,**  
**-v.-**  
**2025FC19**  
**JEREMY OWEN; WANDA OWEN A/K/A W OWEN, Defendants.**  
**11669 RUSSELLVILLE ROAD, BELVIDERE, IL 61008**  
NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 1/21/2026, an agent of Auction.com, LLC will conduct the Online Only auction at [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com), with the bidding window opening on 4/20/2026 at 10:00 AM CDT and closing on April 22, 2026 at 10:00 AM subject to extension, and will sell at public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below,

the following described real estate.  
Commonly known as 11669 RUSSELLVILLE ROAD, BELVIDERE, IL 61008

Property Index No. 06-04-100-008  
The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence. The judgment amount was \$384,907.20 Sale Terms: Full Sale Terms are available on the property page at [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com) by entering 11669 RUSSELLVILLE ROAD into the search bar. If sold to anyone other than the Plaintiff, the winning bidder must pay the full bid amount within twenty-four (24) hours of the auction's end. All payments must be certified funds. No third-party checks will be accepted. All bidders will need to register at [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com) prior to placing a bid. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a certificate of sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property, prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9 (g)(l) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP (312) 346-9088 please refer to file number 23-16194IL. Auction.com, LLC 100 N LaSalle St., Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60602 - 872-225-4985 You can also visit [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com). Attorney File No. 23-16194IL Case Number: 2025FC19 NOTE: PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, YOU ARE ADVISED THAT PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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# Insurance Bill Combining Homeowners and Auto Regulation Passes House, Awaits Senate Action

*Bill gives state authority to regulate homeowners and auto insurance premiums*

*Peter Hancock Capitol News Illinois*

A bill that would give the Illinois Department of Insurance authority to review and approve rates for both homeowners and automobile coverage is advancing in the General Assembly.

Those two proposals, which started as separate pieces of legislation, were combined into a single bill that passed the House March 19. The combined bill now awaits Senate approval before being sent to Gov. JB Pritzker.

Pritzker initially called for rate review authority over homeowners insurance last summer after Bloomington-based State Farm Insurance announced it was raising rates in Illinois an average 27.2%, citing losses it had incurred from weather-related disasters in the state.

Pritzker, however, questioned that rationale. He and legislative leaders suggested the company may have been shifting losses from disasters in other states onto Illinois consumers. He also used the controversy to highlight the fact that, unlike most other states, Illinois exercises no control over insurance premiums and has no law prohibiting excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory rates in the insurance industry.

Separately, Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias has been pushing for reforms in the automobile insurance sector, arguing insurance companies were setting rates based on factors such as a person's credit rating that have little or nothing to do with their driving record.

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**Insurance**

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Neither bill made it through the General Assembly in 2025. A bill regulating homeowners insurance passed the Senate during the fall veto session in October but failed on the floor of the House just before lawmakers adjourned.

**Product of negotiations**

The bill that emerged in the House last week was the product of continued negotiations among lawmakers and the governor’s office, although the insurance industry says it still opposes the final product.

Senate Bill 1486, as amended by the House, would prohibit companies from charging “excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory” rates for auto and homeowners insurance. And, starting July 1, 2027, it would require them to give consumers at least 60 days’ notice before raising premiums 10% or more.

It would also establish a procedure for the Insurance Department to review and approve new rate filings after July 1, 2027. Although companies would still be allowed to file new rates and begin collecting premiums under those terms immediately, the de-

partment would have authority to review those rates.

If the agency finds them to be excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory, it would notify the company, which could then request an administrative hearing. If, after the hearing, the agency still finds the rates excessive, it could reject the rate filing. It would also have the authority to order the company to rebate customers for any excessive premiums it collected.

The bill would also prohibit the practice of “cost-shifting” by requiring companies to use “credible, state-specific” data in setting rates whenever such data is available and statistically reliable.

“This legislation is important to home and car owners of Illinois who are struggling with increasing insurance rates,” Rep. Thaddeus Jones, D-Calumet City, the bill’s chief House sponsor, said during floor debate.

Locally, Rep. Dave Vella voted yes. Reps. John Cabello, Joe Sosnowski, and Toni McCombie voted no. Rep. Maurice West voted present. In the Senate, Steve Stadelman voted yes, and Dave Syverson did not vote.

er, R-Sycamore, who works as an insurance agent, said the new bill was an improvement over earlier versions. But he said it does not address the factors that he said are the real causes of rising premiums — the rising frequency of catastrophic weather events and the proliferation of “storm chasers” who exploit those events for their own profit, at the expense of insurance companies.

“Those storm chasers are driving additional insurance claims and additional costs,” he said. “We continue to see lawsuits filed for dubious reasons that continue to drive costs.”

Keicher and a number of other lawmakers who work in the insurance industry abstained from voting on the bill. It passed 66-40 and will next be sent to the Senate. It was not immediately clear how quickly the Senate would take up the bill.

The Illinois Insurance Association, the American Property Casualty Insurance Association and the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies issued a joint statement following the House vote saying the bill represented “one of the most sweeping and harmful insurance regulatory overhauls in state history” and that it would end up harming Illinois consumers.

“Illinois families are already facing an affordability crisis with property taxes, gas, grocery, and utility

bills all rising,” the organizations said. “Inflation is squeezing household budgets from every direction. At a moment when lawmakers should be laser-focused on affordability, the General Assembly is instead advancing radical legislation that would make both auto and homeowners’ insurance more expensive for nearly every Illinois household.”

**Insurance industry concerns**  
 Rep. Jeff Keich-

**Garden Prairie United Church of Christ**  
 Easter Sunday Service at 7 am with Breakfast after Worship  
 10990 US-20, Garden Prairie, IL 61038

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**Holy Trinity Church**  
 Holy Week Schedule

**Services**  
 Maundy Thursday  
 Thursday, April 2 • 5pm  
 Good Friday  
 Friday, April 3 • 5:30PM  
 Easter Saturday  
 Saturday, April 4 • 5:30PM  
 Easter Sunday  
 Sunday April 5, • 10:30AM

217 E. Hulbut Ave. Belvidere  
 815-544-2635