



RULES FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS AT TEFRA HEARINGS

Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, provides for a public hearing with respect to the proposed issuance of tax-exempt private activity bonds (a “**TEFRA Hearing**”) which permits residents, taxpayers, and other interested persons to express views for or against the proposed plan of finance, the project, and issuance of such bonds.* The Illinois Finance Authority (the “**Authority**”) welcomes public comments and has promulgated rules governing its TEFRA Hearings that are set forth below. Information with respect to attendance at a specific TEFRA Hearing and methods for providing comments may be found in the notice for each TEFRA Hearing. Notices of TEFRA Hearings are posted on the homepage of the Authority’s website under the “Public Notice” heading.

All public comments are subject to reasonable rules of decorum. The Treasurer, or the Treasurer’s designee, may interrupt any speaker who is violating the rules below or disrupting a hearing in any way. Any person who engages in disorderly conduct which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of a hearing shall, at the sole discretion of Treasurer of the Authority, or the Treasurer’s designee, be barred from further participation during the hearing. Written public comments received by the Treasurer or the Treasurer’s designee by the deadline specified in the notice for each TEFRA Hearing will be read aloud at the applicable TEFRA Hearing or otherwise incorporated into the record.

Rules Governing Public Comments

1. Order of comments: The Treasurer, or the Treasurer’s designee, will first call upon individuals physically present in the TEFRA Hearing room and, following the completion of commentary by those physically present, will then call upon those dialing in by phone. Both in-person and telephone comments relating to one TEFRA Hearing will be heard prior to moving on to another TEFRA Hearing, if any.
2. Time allotment: Total time allotted for oral comment is 15 minutes. Any person may speak during the TEFRA Hearing for no longer than three minutes during the public comment portion of the hearing. Any person that speaks for less than the allotted time may not yield remaining time to another person.
3. Pooling time: Two or more registered individuals may pool time and select a representative to provide comments for no longer than five minutes. Any person intending to pool their time allotment to a representative must attend the hearing to confirm such intent with the Treasurer, or the Treasurer’s designee. Any representative who addresses public officials for less than the allotted time may not yield remaining time to another person.

*In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (“**ADA**”), if any person with a disability as defined by the ADA needs special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, then not later than the business day prior to the hearing, such person should contact the Authority by phone at (312) 651-1300.