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## REP. SANDACK'S "RAIN TAX" OPENS FLOODGATES TO CORRUPTION AND BUREAUCRAT CONTROL

CHICAGO—The president of <u>Taxpayers United of America</u> (TUA) today called upon DuPage County taxpayers to fight tax increases allowed by HB1522, sponsored by DuPage County State Rep. Ron Sandack (R-81, Downers Grove) and signed by Gov. Patrick Quinn (D). HB1522 allows DuPage County to enact a Rain Tax on all properties in the county.

"Sandack sandbagged DuPage County taxpayers," said Jim Tobin, TUA President. "This bizarre bill allows 'stormwater utility fees' on all properties in DuPage County, including homes, businesses, schools, churches and forest preserves. This could be the largest tax increase in DuPage County history."

"In addition to higher taxes, a fee-waiver scheme would 'persuade' property owners to install and maintain expensive 'green' infrastructures on their properties. To make things worse, once these are installed, <u>unelected</u> county bureaucrats would control these infrastructures and, therefore, that person's property."

"One can easily predict the widespread corruption that would result from granting feewaivers. DuPage County politicians are no strangers to corruption."

"I urge DuPage County taxpayers to attend the Tuesday, Aug. 27 DuPage County Board meeting at 6:45 pm, at the DuPage County Complex, 421 N. County Farm Road, in Wheaton, Illinois. Taxpayers should let the DuPage County politicians know how strongly they oppose any 'Rain Tax,' and that any board member who votes for such a tax will be flushed from office on a tidal wave of votes."