



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing the adoption and execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Establishing the Joint Emergency Telephone System Board of Lake County, Illinois.

- An Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) receives 9-1-1 Surcharge funds and oversees the implementation and operation of the 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System in a defined service area.
- Public Act 99-0006 has encouraged consolidation of ETSBs and 9-1-1 systems to advance public safety and to encourage the best use of government funds.
- The Lake County, Northeast Lake County, Joint Central Lake County, Vernon Hills, CenCom, and Fox Lake ETSBs were created by ordinance or intergovernmental agreement and certified to operate a 9-1-1 system.
- As part of 9-1-1 consolidation in Lake County, the authorities that established the above ETSBs desire to cooperate and form the new Joint ETSB of Lake County to support 9-1-1 consolidation and the new consolidated PSAP, Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (LakeComm).
- The Parties have determined that a Joint ETSB would be beneficial on an individual and mutual basis to the residents and agencies served by all the individual units of local government.
- The Effective Date for the new Joint ETSB of Lake County will occur with the: (1) adoption by the individual corporate authorities of the Parties to this IGA and (2) final approval by the State 9-1-1 Administrator.
- In accordance with State statute, upon establishment of the Joint ETSB of Lake County on the Effective Date, the County will rescind its ETSB Ordinance and disestablish the Lake County ETSB.
- After the Effective Date, 9-1-1 surcharge monies currently collected from the Lake County ETSB service area will be paid directly to the new Joint ETSB of Lake County.
- After the Effective Date, the Joint Emergency Telephone System Board of Lake County (the "Board") will consist of nine (9) Members of which two (2) Members will be appointed by the Lake County Board.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Public Act 99-0006 has encouraged consolidation of Emergency Telephone System Boards (ETSB) and 9-1-1 systems to advance public safety and to encourage the best use of government funds; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 50, Act 750, Section 15.4 et seq. of the Illinois Compiled Statutes permits the formation of a Joint ETSB to oversee the implementation and operation of an

Enhanced 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 5, Act 220, Section 3 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes provides for the joint exercise by two or more local governments of any power, privilege, function, or authority; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County, Northeast Lake County, Joint Central Lake County, Vernon Hills, CenCom, and Fox Lake ETSBs were created by ordinance or intergovernmental agreement and certified to operate a 9-1-1 system under the authority of the Emergency Telephone System Act (ETSA) and the Illinois Commerce Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have determined that a Joint ETSB would be beneficial on an individual and mutual basis to the residents and agencies served by all the individual units of local government; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have determined that a consolidated 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System will serve to minimize the number of 9-1-1 call transfers which will result in a more efficient response to these calls and a greater level of service to the residents of Lake County; and

WHEREAS, the authorities that established the previously listed ETSBs desire to cooperate and form a new Joint ETSB to support a consolidated Public Safety Answering Point in the form of Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (LakeComm); and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Agreement to establish the new Joint ETSB of Lake County has been promulgated to guide the formation and govern the operation of the Joint Emergency Telephone System; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lake, the corporate authority for the Lake County ETSB, wishes to authorize and approve the Intergovernmental Agreement establishing the Joint ETSB of Lake County to jointly, with other Lake County units of government, establish a unified 9-1-1 emergency telephone and dispatch system, and to become a member of the Joint ETSB of Lake County; and

WHEREAS, the Effective Date for the new Joint ETSB of Lake County will occur with the: (1) adoption of this IGA by the individual corporate authorities of the participating ETSBs and (2) final approval by the State 9-1-1 Administrator; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the ETSA, upon establishment of the Joint ETSB of Lake County on the Effective Date, the County is required to rescind its ETSB Ordinance and disestablish the Lake County ETSB; and

WHEREAS, after the Effective Date, 9-1-1 surcharge monies currently paid to the Lake County ETSB and collected from the Lake County ETSB service area will be paid directly to

the Joint ETSB of Lake County; and

WHEREAS, after the Effective Date, the Joint ETSB of Lake County will consist of nine (9) Members of which two (2) Members will be appointed by the Lake County Board; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lake and the Lake County Board remains fully committed to the consolidation of ETSBs and Public Safety Answering Points in Lake County to advance public safety, to encourage the best use of government funds, and to provide the most timely, effective, and efficient 9-1-1 and emergency dispatch service to benefit all Lake County residents, visitors, and First Responders; and

WHEREAS, the estimated Effective Date for the Joint ETSB of Lake County will be early in calendar year 2025, but is contingent on the establishment of Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (LakeComm) and the final approval of the State 9-1-1 Administrator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, to hereby authorize the adoption and execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement establishing the Joint Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) of Lake County attached to this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 15.4(e) of the Emergency Telephone System Act, the Lake County Board shall rescind the County Ordinance creating the Lake County ETSB, effective upon the official establishment of the Joint ETSB of Lake County on the approved Effective Date.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on June 11, 2024.