



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint committee action item authorizing the Purchasing Agent to negotiate and modify the 1962 Agreement with then-named Illinois Bell Telephone Company, now-named American Telephone and Telegraph (AT&T) invalidating provisions relating to discounted telephone rates.

- In February, 1962, the Lake County Board of Supervisors approved a resolution providing for the adoption of an ordinance granting Illinois Bell Telephone Company and its successors, including AT&T, certain rights to construct, maintain and operate equipment used in the general telephone business in public ways of Lake County in exchange for granting to Lake County a 25% discount from certain telephone rates.
- At its regular meeting on February 10, 2009, the County Board approved a two year contract with Call One in Chicago, IL and Telecom Communications Group in Itasca, IL for telephone services.
- Lake County no longer has a telephone services contract with AT&T, thus does not enjoy a benefit from the discount.
- There is a need to invalidate the 1962 agreement provision relating to AT&T rights to construct, maintain and operate equipment in exchange for the discount so that the Division of Transportation is positioned to begin collecting usual and customary permit fees.
- Section 7 of the 1962 Agreement provides that, even if certain sections of the Agreement become invalid, the remaining provisions are still in effect.
- Pursuant to Article 8-101 (1) approval is requested authorizing the Purchasing Agent to negotiate and modify the 1962 Agreement with then-named Illinois Bell Telephone Company, succeeded by AT&T to invalidate this provision of the Agreement.