



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Joint resolution to enter into a contract with Strategic Advocacy Group of Springfield, Illinois for state legislative consulting services for Lake County in an estimated annual amount of \$60,000.

- The County has a need to enter into a contract for Illinois legislative consulting services.
- After many years of lobbying services representation from one firm, staff felt it was prudent to solicit proposals through a competitive procurement Request for Proposal (RFP) procurement process.
- The RFP was sent to 23 vendors and proposals were received from seven vendors.
- An interdepartmental committee reviewed the proposals and interviewed the top four firms.
- Based on the criteria set forth in the RFP, the evaluation group selected Strategic Advocacy Group as the most favorable proposal for Lake County.
- The proposed contract will cost the County an estimated annual amount of \$60,000.
- The contract will provide for the consultant to advance legislative initiatives on the County's legislative program, lobby against bills providing a negative impact, and advocate for the County at large.

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to enter into a contract for State of Illinois legislative consulting services; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 5-102 of the Lake County Purchasing Ordinance, proposals were called for by publication for state legislative consulting services; and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent to said publication, request for proposals were extended to 23 vendors; and

**WHEREAS**, sealed proposals were received from seven vendors and opened at the Lake County Administrative Building, Waukegan, Illinois, on October 15, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the criteria set forth in the Request for Proposals, an Evaluation Committee selected Strategic Advocacy Group to be in the best interest of Lake County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the Purchasing Agent is authorized to enter into a contract with Strategic Advocacy Group in an estimated annual amount of \$60,000.

**DATED** at Waukegan, Illinois, on December 10, 2019.