



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Committee action authorizing monies from the General Operating Fund for the County Board Chairman, or his designee, and the County Board appointed National Association of Counties (NACo) Representative for travel related expenses to NACo.

- The County Board Rules of Order and Operational Procedures provides for an amount not exceed \$7,000 for each County Board Member for costs related to carrying out duties in his/her district. The Chairman of the County Board is budgeted with an additional amount not to exceed \$3,000 for costs related to carrying out the duties of a Chairman of the County Board, excluding activities within his/her respective district.
- As a member of NACo, Lake County relies on the organization to assist in advocating and advancing its federal legislative agenda, and engagement in the organization is pertinent in furthering this cause.
- In March 2017, the County Board appointed Mary Ross-Cunningham as Lake County's NACo Representative, to coordinate with the Chairman and other key stakeholders on:
 - the implementation of the County Board's federal legislative agenda;
 - sponsorship of NACo resolutions per the legislative agenda; and
 - voting member of NACo on behalf of Lake County.
- In accordance with County Board rules, any exceptions to the use of these funds are referred to the Financial and Administrative Committee.
- Recognizing the costs for the County Board Chairman, or his designee, and the Lake County NACo representative to participate in NACo (such as conference registration fees, travel, lodging, and meals) benefit the entire County, and could be considered an exception to the use of county board member and chairman funds, it is recommended that these expenses be funded through the General Operating Fund, account number 101-1102040-7995.
- Additionally, staff requests that this funding be available retroactive for expenses incurred for the July 2017 NACo conference.