



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation of a Title IV-D Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (IDHFS) and the Lake County State's Attorney for the continuation of the State's Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Program for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, for a maximum reimbursement amount of \$610,000 for staff wages and benefits.

- Since 1985, the State's Attorney's Office has entered into an annual IGA with the IDHFS to provide child support enforcement services.
- Pursuant to these annual agreements, the State's Attorney's Office reasonable costs for providing these services, as determined by IDHFS, are to be reimbursed.
- Since 1999, the State's Attorney's Child Support Enforcement staff has included three Assistant State's Attorneys, four secretaries, three paralegals, and one investigator.
- The Child Support Enforcement Division handles approximately 12,000 active cases, including those to establish paternity, to set support upon voluntary acknowledgement, to establish medical support orders, and to enforce orders for payment of support.
- IDHFS has tendered a proposed State fiscal year (SFY) 2019 contract to reimburse personnel costs not to exceed \$610,000, 66 percent of which is federal funds.
- Funding for the Lake County contract was reduced by a total of 12.86 percent (\$90,000) from SFY 2017's contract of \$700,000, including a \$50,000 reduction for SFY2018 and a \$40,000 reduction for SFY2019.
- Sources of program funding include; \$610,000 from the State of IDHFS, \$9,475 reimbursement from the State's Attorney's Environmental Fund, \$18,800 from a part-time paralegal position vacancy, and \$61,725 from a full-time legal assistant position vacancy.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the IDHFS has notified the State's Attorney's Office that the Department desires to renew its Intergovernmental Agreements for the Child Support Enforcement Services; and

WHEREAS, IDHFS has tendered a proposed State FY 2019 contract for salary/fringe reimbursement not to exceed \$610,000; and

WHEREAS, revenue of \$650,000 for salary/fringe costs was originally appropriated in the County FY2018 budget for the Child Support Enforcement Division,

WHEREAS, the continuation of this program necessitates an emergency appropriation of \$9,475 to provide for the reduction in the State contract amount; and

WHEREAS, offsetting revenue is available from the State's Attorney's Environmental Fund; and offsetting expense savings is available in the Child Support Division salaries account; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the program agreements attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, IDHFS reimbursements be deposited in fund 101, management center 3306010, account 45140; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, offsetting revenue in the amount of \$9,475 shall be deposited in account 101-3306010-49920 from the State's Attorney's Environmental Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a part-time paralegal position shall remain vacant resulting in offsetting expense savings in the amount of \$18,800; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a full-time legal assistant position shall remain vacant resulting in offsetting expense savings in the amount of \$61,725; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the intergovernmental agreement for the State's Attorney Child Support Enforcement Program, in the amount of \$610,000 for the period of July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 is hereby accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State's Attorney shall serve as project director for the program, and accurate records of all necessary grant compliance requirements shall be kept by the State's Attorney Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board, the Lake County State's Attorney, and the Lake County Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documentation to approve the attached agreements.

DATED, at Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois, on April 10, 2018.