



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Resolution supporting and approving Lake County's (County) membership in the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISAC).

- Over the years, the County has been an active participant in and supporter of county and local government associations within Illinois and the National Association of Counties (NACo).
- The County's ability to effectively engage and receive meaningful services at the statewide level has been negatively impacted by the ability of some associations in which the County was a member.
- In partnership with 20 counties with the intention to engage all 102 counties, ISAC has been established to provide counties such as Lake with services including discussion forums, trainings, representation and advocacy, and guidance. ISAC would be directly connected and supported by NACo.
- Support of and membership in ISAC would be beneficial to the County.

### RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Lake County (County) has a long tradition of working collaboratively with other counties to address issues of common interest and concern across the 102 counties within Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Illinois has historically had several different associations representing the varying interests of the counties including Illinois Association of County Board Members and Commissioners, United County Councils of Illinois, and Metro Counties of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, the County and all Cook and collar Counties discontinued membership in Metro County's due to ineffectiveness; and

**WHEREAS**, Illinois is one of only two states nationwide that does not have a single statewide association representing the interest of all counties; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to fill the gap currently existing among counties across the State of Illinois, the Illinois State Association of Counties (ISAC) was recently established to provide all counties such as Lake a number of services including discussion forums, trainings, representation and advocacy, and guidance; and

**WHEREAS**, ISAC will be a network of Illinois counties of which Lake County should be a part.

**NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED**, the Lake County Board hereby supports and approves the County's membership in ISAC and the allocation of funds for the purpose of joining ISAC.

**DATED**, at Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D.