



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Minutes of the Criminal Justice Committee**

Wednesday, July 24, 2019

10:00 AM

**Cook County Building, Board Room
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

ATTENDANCE

Present: Johnson, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (16)

Absent: Moore (1)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

1. Mark Armstrong

2. George Blakemore

[19-4597](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 06/26/2019

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to approve 19-4597. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Johnson, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (16)

Absent: Moore (1)

[19-0768](#)

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, STANLEY MOORE and PETER N. SILVESTRI, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE - Item # 19-0768

Criminal Justice Committee, Wednesday, June 26, 2019

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, STANLEY MOORE, and PETER N. SILVESTRI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

ARTICLE III. - PROTECTIONS FOR CHARITABLE ROTATING CRIMINAL BOND FUNDS AND THIRD-PARTY SURETIES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 18 COURTS, ARTICLE III. - CHARITABLE ROTATING CRIMINAL BOND FUNDS AND THIRD-PARTY SURETIES, SECTION NUMBER(S) 18-45 - 18-50, of the Cook County Code is hereby enacted as follows:

Sec. 18-45. - Definitions

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Charitable Bond Fund means a not-for-profit 501c3, as defined by the Internal Revenue Service, organization that uses its funds to post bond for individuals who are detained at the Cook County Jail.

Third Party Surety means any individual who posts bond for an accused person and who does not have a legal duty to support the accused person.

Explicit Voluntary Consent means actual and informed consent and does not include consenting as a predicate to being allowed to post the bond.

Sec. 18-46. - Eligibility for representation by the Public Defender's Office

A criminal defendant whose deposit or cash bond is posted by a Charitable Bond Fund or Third-Party Surety shall not be deemed ineligible for representation by the Cook County Public Defender's Office due to the posting of bond.

Sec. 18-47. Bond ineligible for bail assignment or attorney's fees

Any bonds posted by a Charitable Bond Fund or Third-Party Surety shall not be used to pay attorney's fees without the surety's explicit voluntary consent. This prohibition applies to reimbursement to the county for representation by the Public Defender's Office.

Sec. 18-48. - Fees

The Clerk of the Court shall not deduct any fees, court costs, or penalties from bond funds that were posted by a Charitable Bond Fund or Third-Party Surety without the surety's explicit voluntary consent and, at the conclusion of the case, shall return available funds to the Charitable Bond Fund or Third-Party Surety.

Sec. 18-49. - Forfeiture

In the instance where bond is posted by a Charitable Bond Fund or Third-Party Surety and a judgment of forfeiture is ordered in favor of the state, no part of the amount deposited by the Charitable Bond Fund or Third-Party Surety shall be forfeited to the state.

Sec. 18-50. - Return of Funds

The Clerk of the Court shall return bond monies posted by a Charitable Bond Funds or a Third-Party Surety within ten (10) business days of the conclusion of the case. Funds posted by a Charitable Bond Fund shall be returned via direct deposit.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to recommend for deferral as substituted 19-0768. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Johnson, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (16)

Absent: Moore (1)

[19-3660](#)

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

LAW LIBRARY CHANGE OF HOURS

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 50 - Libraries, Article II. - Law Library, Sec. 50-33 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Sec. 50-33. Rules for use of Library.

(a) The Cook County Law Library (“Library”) is a public law library open to all for the purposes of legal research. To ensure open, reliable access to legal information and knowledge in a timely manner, the following rules shall be applicable to all users of the Library.

(b) Hours of Operation for the Cook County Law Library.

(1) Main Library located at the Richard J. Daley Center will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. -7:00 p.m., ~~and on Saturday, from 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.~~

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect September 1, 2019.

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to recommend for approval 19-3660. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Johnson, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (16)

Absent: Moore (1)

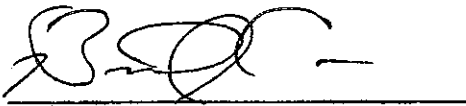
ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to adjourn the meeting [FILE_NR]. The motion carried by the following vote:

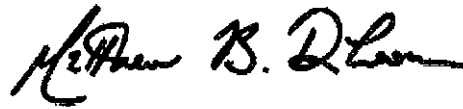
Ayes: Johnson, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski (16)

Absent: Moore (1)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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