



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY**  
**Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**New Items Agenda**

**for the**

**Meeting of the Board of Commissioners**

**Wednesday, January 13, 2016, 11:00 AM**

The following is an addition to the Committee Items Requiring Board Action Section of the Board Agenda:

**COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LITIGATION MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2016**

**16-0692** PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT Code of Conduct for Settlements in the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County.

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**16-1023**

**Sponsored by:** PETER N. SILVESTRI, County Commissioner

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**TO REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COOK COUNTY IN ITS REPORT REGARDING PRE-TRIAL SYSTEMS**

**WHEREAS**, the issue of pre-trial processes is of paramount importance to the criminal justice system of Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, the League of Women Voters of Cook County commissioned a study to evaluate the effectiveness and fairness of the pre-trial operation of the County's criminal justice system; and

**WHEREAS**, the League's study, spanning more than eighteen months, coincided with nationwide public pressure to reduce the number of individuals in jail and in prison and to investigate alternatives to incarceration; and

**WHEREAS**, a number of issues have arisen with respect to bond court, pre-trial assessment, diversion programs, mental illness, and collaboration among public officials, their offices, and other stakeholders; and

**WHEREAS**, the study included interviews with a wide variety of people and uncovered consensus on a range of issues impacting the pre-trial system.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Pre-Trial Systems Report of the Criminal Justice Interest Group, League of Women Voters of Cook County, be referred to the Criminal Justice Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners for analysis and discussion.