



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Minutes of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee**

Monday, March 29, 2021

1:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

Public Hearing

ATTENDANCE

Present: Suffredin, Britton, Aguilar, Anaya, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (17)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Suffredin asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code.

Thomas W. Szromba - Chairman of Board of Ethics

David Orr - Good Government Illinois

[20-4404](#)

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LARRY SUFFREDIN and JOHN P. DALEY,
Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

ETHICS ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE VII. ETHCS, DIVISION 2, Subdivision I., Sec. 2-560 through 2-570, Subdivision II., Sec. 2-571 through 2-589, Subdivision III., Sec. 2-590, Subdivision IV., Sec. 2-591 through Sec. 2-600, Subdivision V. Sec. 2-601- Sec. 2-609, Section 2-610 through Sec. 2-620; DIVISION 3., Subdivision 1., Sec. 2-621 through 2-630, Subdivision II., Sec. 2-631 through 2-of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

ARTICLE VII. - ETHICS

DIVISION 2. - CODE OF ETHICAL CONDUCT

Subdivision I. - In General

Sec. 2-560. - Short title.

Sec. 2-561. - Purpose.

Sec. 2-562. - Definitions.

Sec. 2-563. - Applicability and Acknowledgment.

Secs. 2-564-2-570. - Reserved.

Subdivision II. - Code of Ethical Conduct

Sec. 2-571. - Fiduciary duty.

Sec. 2-572. - Improper influence.

Sec. 2-573. - Dual employment Employees and Officials.

Sec. 2-574. - Receiving and soliciting gifts and favors.

Sec. 2-575. - ~~Reserved~~—Sexual Harassment.

Sec. 2-576. - County-owned property.

Sec. 2-577. - Use or disclosure of confidential information.

Sec. 2-578. - Conflicts of interest.

Sec. 2-579. - Representation of other persons.

Sec. 2-580. - Post-employment restrictions.

Sec. 2-581. - Interest in county business or board or commission business.

Sec. 2-582. - Employment of relatives.

Sec. 2-583. - Political activity.

Sec. 2-584. - Whistleblower protection.

Sec. 2-585. - Limitations of contributions to candidates and elected officials.

Sec. 2-586. - Newsletters, brochures, public service announcements, and promotional materials.

Sec. 2-587. - Ethics Education Seminar.

Sec. 2-588. - Identity protection policy.

Sec. 2-589.- Inducement of Others

Subdivision III. - Financial Disclosure

Sec. 2-~~590~~⁸⁹. - Generally.

~~Sec. 2-590. - Reserved.~~

Subdivision IV. - Board of Ethics

Sec. 2-591. - Composition and powers.

Sec. 2-592. - Confidentiality.

Secs. 2-593-2-600. - Reserved.

Subdivision V. - Sanctions for Violation

Sec. 2-601. - Employment sanctions.

Sec. 2-602. - Fines and Penalties.

Sec. 2-603. - Validity of contract.

Secs. 2-604-2-609. - Reserved.

**Subdivision VI. - Requirement for Disclosure of Ownership Interest in Business Entities
Seeking County Contracts**

Sec. 2-610. - Actions requiring county approval; disclosure information required when.

Sec. 2-611. - Information to be kept current.

Sec. 2-612. - Additional information authorized when.

Sec. 2-613. - Failure to comply.

Sec. 2-614. - Rulemaking authority.

Secs. 2-615-2-620. - Reserved.

DIVISION 3. - LOBBYISTS

Subdivision I. - In General

Sec. 2-621. - Short title.

Sec. 2-622. - Definitions.

Secs. 2-623-2-630. - Reserved.

Subdivision II. - Registration

Sec. 2-631. - Persons required to register.

Sec. 2-632. - Persons not required to register.

Sec. 2-633. - Information required of registrants.

Sec. 2-634. - Reports.

Sec. 2-635. - Duties of clerk.

Sec. 2-636. - Restricted activities.

Sec. 2-637. - Enforcement, penalties and procedures.

Sec. 2-638. - Right to petition County Officials.

Sec. 2-639. - Venue.

Sec. 2-640. - Lobbyist Ethics Education Seminar.

Sec. 2-641. - Prohibition from lobbying activities.

Sec. 2-642. - Duty to display lobbyist registration identification.

Secs. 2-646-2-670. - Reserved.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect on December 15, 2020.

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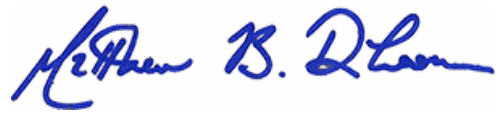
ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Aguilar, Anaya, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (17)

Respectfully submitted,


Chairman


Secretary

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