



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **REQUESTING A HEARING OF THE LEGISLATION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN ON THE SERVICES AND OPERATIONS OF COOK COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the federal government has been partially shut down since December 22, 2018, now constituting the longest shutdown in the country's history with no clear path forward; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 800,000 federal workers throughout the country have not received pay since the shutdown began and jurisdictions nationwide are establishing alternative modes of assistance such as food pantries and other support for federal workers and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal shutdown may contribute to reduced economic growth, with estimates indicating the loss of half a percentage point to the nation's gross domestic product if the shutdown is prolonged; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that a meeting of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee be convened to discuss and understand the extent of impact the federal shutdown may have on the services and operations of Cook County Government including but not limited to any intergovernmental agreements and implementation of programs based on federal awards; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this meeting serve to equip the Board of Commissioners with information necessary to take the appropriate actions to preserve the services and operations of Cook County Government and prepare safeguards for this and any future prolonged federal shutdowns.