



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **REQUEST FOR A PRESENTATION FROM COOK COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY AND DEPARTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT TO PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF COOK COUNTY WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS, POLICIES AND STRATEGIES**

**WHEREAS**, Cook County self-insures and self-administers workers compensation benefits in accordance with the Illinois Workers Compensation Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County has an obligation to be fair, consistent and fiscally responsible in the administration of workers compensation benefits to its employees who are injured while on duty; and

**WHEREAS**, both Cook County Department of Risk Management and the Cook County State's Attorney office have significant roles in the adjudication of employees' claims, including the investigation, assessment, reserving, administration, payment of claims and determining settlement or litigation of cases, while preserving the interests of Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Workers' Compensation entails a variety of complexities that both Risk Management and the Cook County State's Attorney are charged with, board members would benefit from an overview of Workers' Compensation procedures and policies; and

**WHEREAS**, a meeting of the Workers' Compensation Committee will be held for all Cook County Board members to attend; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that an executive session of the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee be convened to provide an overview of Workers' Compensation claims, policies and strategies, including a discussion of Risk Management information concerning workers' compensation coverage and liability and the impact of these matters upon County government; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Department of Risk Management and representatives from the State's Attorney Workers' Compensation Division appear before the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee to provide an overview of Workers' Compensation procedures in Cook County and address the subjects identified above.