



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **AUTHORIZATION FOR BUDGET DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE BUDGET TRANSFERS IN AMOUNTS OVER \$50,000**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Cook County Code of Ordinances, Sections 26-36 and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/11, on March 10, 2020, County Board President Toni Preckwinkle found that the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 constitute a public health emergency and issued a proclamation of disaster for Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Illinois law, on March 16, 2020, the Cook County Board of Commissioners (“Board”) through Resolution 20-2195, extended the March 10, 2020 Proclamation of Disaster through May 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Sections 8 and 9 of the Cook County FY2020 Annual Appropriation Bill (the “Appropriation Bill”) authorize the Cook County Budget Director (the “Budget Director”) to make budgetary transfers in an amount equal to or less than \$50,000 without advance approval of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, except for budgetary transfers authorized in Section 8 of the Appropriation Bill, transfers greater than \$50,000 that are within and between the Personal Services, Contractual Services, Supplies and Materials, Operation and Maintenance, Rental and Leasing, Capital Equipment and Improvements, or Contingency or Special Purposes account series require advance approval by the Cook County Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) or the Cook County Hospital System Board (the “System Board”); and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the effects of COVID-19, it is necessary to grant limited authority to officials in County government to ensure timely budgetary transfers without advance approval from the Board or System Board; provided, however, to the extent possible, and if timing permits, Cook County departments and agencies are encouraged to continue to adhere to obtaining advance Board or System Board approval, where applicable, as required in Sections 8 & 9 of the Appropriation Bill.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, effective May 21, 2020, through September 30, 2020, the Board does hereby authorize the Budget Director or designee of the Budget Director to review and approve budgetary transfer requests that are of an immediate nature and would otherwise require advance approval of the Board or System Board; provided, however, all such budget transfer requests shall further require the written concurrence of the Cook County Chief Financial Officer or a designee of the Chief Financial Officer; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Budget Director shall issue a report on the approved budgetary transfers permitted under this Resolution for the preceding month on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month to the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Cook County Health System Board, where applicable.