



KANE COUNTY

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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019

County Board Room

Agenda

10:00 AM

Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approval of Minutes: January 16, 2019 & February 20, 2019**
3. **Public Comment**
4. **Old Business**
 - A. Legislative Update
 - B. Legislative Breakfast
 - C. Lobbying, Grants, County Organizations, & Education Update
5. **New Business**
 - A. **Resolution** Supporting SB1240 The Checkout Bag Tax Act 2019
6. **Executive Session (If needed)**
7. **Adjournment**



RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resolution No.

Supporting SB1240 The Checkout Bag Tax Act 2019

Committee Flow: Legislative Committee, Executive Committee, County Board

Contact: Gabriella Figliozzi, 630.444.1230

Budget Information:

Was this item budgeted? N/A	Appropriation Amount:
If not budgeted, explain funding source:	

Summary:

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF KANE

RESOLUTION NO.

SUPPORTING SB1240 THE CHECKOUT BAG TAX ACT 2019

WHEREAS, SB1240, a state bill sponsored by Senator Terry Link, applies a 7 cent per bag user fee on the sale of all plastic carryout bags in the state of Illinois, which is an avoidable fee and not an across the board tax; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago has an existing 7 cent fee on all carryout bags, enacted in January 2017, which serves as an example of success of such legislation, and with the City earning \$500,000 a month from their share of the fee (City gets 5 cents, Retailer gets 2 cents); and

WHEREAS, the funds collected by SB 1240 will be distributed as follows: 2 cents to retailers, 2 cents to the State General Fund, and 3 cents to a Checkout Bag Tax Fund to be distributed to county government for the use of implementing Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) programs, education programs, grants to promote infrastructure for recycling and composting, and attaining goals of solid waste management plans; and

WHEREAS, based on an estimate of 50 bags used per person per year at 3 cents per bag, this revenue source would provide over \$700,000 (Seven-Hundred Thousand Dollars) annually to Kane County, which would support expansion of existing HHW home collection and drop-off programs; ongoing recycling events and increased material collection, including paints, fluorescent tubes, batteries, and packaging; school education programs; grants to encourage infrastructure and market development for recycling and composting, and attainment of Solid Waste Plan Goals; and

WHEREAS, Lake County, DuPage County, Champaign County, the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County, and the West Cook County Solid Waste Agency have all taken formal positions of support; and

WHEREAS, Kane County has staff dedicated to implementing waste diversion, recycling, and educational programs that benefit all residents in the county, including municipal residents, resulting in a reduction of solid waste and environmental pollution and increasing environmental education and recycling.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kane County Board of Directors hereby issue a statement of support for SB1240 The Checkout Bag Tax Act.

Passed by the Kane County Board on April 9, 2019.

John A. Cunningham
Clerk, County Board
Kane County, Illinois

Christopher J. Lauzen
Chairman, County Board
Kane County, Illinois

Vote:

