



Illinois State Association of Counties

October 4, 2023

The Honorable JB Pritzker
Governor
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph, 16-100
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Governor Pritzker:

The Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACO) requests your support for supplemental funding to offset costs associated with the enactment of the SAFE-T Act (P.A. 101-0652).

While the Pre-Trial Fairness component seeks to promote a fair and equitable justice system, it will create additional costs and revenue shortfalls for county courts. It is essential to ensure that county courts have the necessary resources to function effectively on behalf of Illinois' residents.

The funds generated from cash bail were critical to supporting the day-to-day operations of the courts. Without adequate funding, courts may face challenges in maintaining the required staff, services and operations. ISACO did not oppose the Pre-Trial Fairness Act and looks forward to working with your office and the General Assembly to resolve the financial challenges created by the new law.

Ensuring that our courts have the necessary resources will contribute to the successful implementation of the SAFE-T Act and demonstrate our commitment to a justice system that upholds the principles of fairness and equality.

We respectfully request that your office work with ISACO to explore options for allocating additional state funding to the court system.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and please feel welcome to contact me at 217/679-3368 or jmccoy@isacoil.org if we can be of assistance on this or other issues.

Respectfully,

Joe McCoy
Executive Director

cc: Emily Miller, Senior Advisor to the Governor for Policy and Legislative Affairs
Chris Shallow, Legislative Director



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The Honorable Emanuel "Chris" Welch
Speaker of the House
300 Capitol Building
Springfield, IL 62706

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cc: Tiffany Moy, Chief of Staff



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The Honorable Don Harmon
Senate President
309 G Capitol Building
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear President Harmon:

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