



DU PAGE COUNTY

Legislative Committee

Final Summary

421 N. COUNTY FARM ROAD
WHEATON, IL 60187
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Tuesday, February 25, 2025

11:30 AM

Room 3500A

**** 11:30 AM or immediately following County Board ****

1. CALL TO ORDER

11:30 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Dawn DeSart at 12:11 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Staff present: Joy Hinz, Conor McCarthy, Jeremy Custer, Mary Catherine Wells, and Mary Keating.

Additional County Board Members present: Member Saba Haider and Member Yeena Yoo.

PRESENT	Childress, DeSart, Galassi, Garcia, Ozog, and Schwarze
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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A. [25-0089](#)

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RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Dawn DeSart
SECONDER:	Mary Ozog

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were offered.

5. CHAIR'S REMARKS - CHAIR DESART

Chair De Sart shared:

In Washington ~ From the DuPage County's delegation:

Rep. Ramirez sent a letter demanding answers from Veterans Affairs Secretary Doug Collins on the effects that the Musk-Trump agenda is having on veterans, their livelihoods, and their ability to access their services and benefits.

Rep. Casten and Rep. Robin Kelly (IL-02) introduced the Gun Trafficker Detection Act to help end the flow of illegal guns into Illinois by requiring gun owners to report if their gun is lost or stolen within 24 hours.

Rep. Krishnamoorthi joined a majority of his colleagues in the House Democratic Caucus in a letter to Acting Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) that expresses alarm at the illegal decision by President Trump to reduce the reimbursement rate for indirect research costs to 15 percent across the board.

Rep. Foster released a statement condemning the firing of National Science Foundation federal

employees.

In Springfield,

A joint session of the Illinois General Assembly convened on Wednesday to hear Governor Pritzker's seventh Budget and State of the State address.

Leading off the speech were highlights of the administration's achievements to date: reducing more than \$12 billion in debt;

boosting the rainy-day fund to over \$2 billion; improving the state's pension-funded ratio; and receiving nine upgrades in the state's credit ratings. The Governor also cited education, health care, public safety, infrastructure, and job creation as areas the state has made ongoing investments in.

The Governor's proposed FY2026 operating budget estimates total revenues of \$55.453 billion and \$55.234 billion in total spending.

Chair DeSart also announce the Springfield Drive Down on March 19, 2025.

6. LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS

6.A. [LEG-R-0001-25](#)

Resolution Adopting the County's 2025 Federal Legislative Program

There was discussion regarding the County's 2025 Federal Legislative Program where both Jeremy Custer and Mary Keating spoke on how the wording was chosen for the document.

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Dawn DeSart
SECONDER:	Michael Childress

7. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM.