

## TOWNSHIPS

(60 ILCS 1/) Township Code.

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### ARTICLE 70.

#### TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

(60 ILCS 1/70-5)

##### Sec. 70-5. Supervisor; bond.

(a) The supervisor, before entering upon the duties of the office, shall give bond to the township, with one or more sureties, (i) in at least double the amount of money that may come into the supervisor's hands, if individuals act as sureties, or (ii) only in the amount of money that may come into the supervisor's hands, if a surety company authorized to do business in this State acts as surety. The bond shall be conditioned on the faithful discharge of his or her duties as supervisor and require that he or she safely keep and pay over all money entrusted to his or her keeping as supervisor. The bond shall be approved by the township clerk and filed in the clerk's office with the clerk's approval indorsed on it.

(b) Whenever the township clerk ascertains that the bond has been forfeited, the clerk shall institute suit against the supervisor. If the clerk fails or refuses to institute a suit, any person interested in the matter may institute a suit.

(Source: P.A. 101-519, eff. 8-23-19.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-10)

##### Sec. 70-10. Depository for township moneys.

(a) The township board shall from time to time, when requested by the supervisor, designate one or more banks or savings and loan associations in which the funds and moneys of the township in the custody of the supervisor shall be kept. When a bank or savings and loan association has been designated as a depository, it shall continue as a depository until 10 days have elapsed after a new depository is designated and has qualified by furnishing the statements of resources and liabilities required by Section 6 of the Public Funds Investment Act.

(b) When a new depository is designated, the township board shall notify the sureties of the supervisor of that fact, in writing, at least 5 days before the transfer of funds. The supervisor shall be discharged from responsibility for all township funds and moneys which he or she deposits in a depository designated under this Section while those funds and moneys are deposited.

(c) No bank or savings and loan association shall receive public funds under this Section unless it has complied with Section 6 of the Public Funds Investment Act.

(Source: P.A. 83-1362; 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-15)

Sec. 70-15. Chief executive officer; fiscal duties; penalty for neglect.

(a) The supervisor is the chief executive officer of the township.

(b) The supervisor shall receive and pay out all moneys raised in the township for defraying township charges, except those raised for the support of highways and bridges, and for township library purposes.

(c) The supervisor shall, within 30 days before the annual township meeting, prepare and file with the township clerk a full unaudited statement of the financial affairs of the township, showing (i) the balance (if any) received by the supervisor from his or her predecessor in office or from any other source; (ii) the amount of tax levied the preceding year for the payment of township indebtedness and charges; (iii) the amount collected and paid over to the supervisor as supervisor; (iv) the amount paid out by the supervisor and on what account, including any amount paid out on township indebtedness, specifying the nature and amount of the township indebtedness, the amount paid on the indebtedness, the amount paid on principal, and the amount paid on interest account; and (v) the amount and kind of all outstanding indebtedness due and unpaid, the amount and kind of indebtedness not yet due, and when the indebtedness not yet due will mature. The township clerk shall record the statement in the record book of the township as soon as it is filed and shall post a copy of the statement at the place of holding the annual township meeting 2 days before the meeting is held. The clerk shall also read aloud the unaudited statement or provide a copy of the unaudited statement to the electors at the annual township meeting.

(d) Any supervisor or township clerk who wilfully neglects to comply with this Section shall forfeit and pay to the township the sum of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200. The amount forfeited shall be sued for and recovered by the township in its corporate name and shall be appropriated to repairs of highways and bridges in the township.

(Source: P.A. 98-1108, eff. 1-1-15.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-20)

Sec. 70-20. Prosecution for penalties and forfeitures. The supervisor shall prosecute in the name of the township or otherwise, as may be necessary, for all penalties or forfeitures given by law to the township or for its use and for which no other officer is especially directed to prosecute, except as may be otherwise directed by the electors at a township meeting.

(Source: P.A. 82-783; 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-25)

Sec. 70-25. Account of receipts and expenditures.

(a) The supervisor shall keep a just and true account of the receipts and expenditures of all moneys that come into the supervisor's hands by virtue of the office, in a book to be provided for that purpose at the expense of the township. The book shall be delivered to the supervisor's successor in office.

(b) This Section is subject to the Local Records Act.

(Source: P.A. 82-783; 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-27)

Sec. 70-27. Attestation to funds endorsed by the supervisor. If a township supervisor issues a payout of funds from the township treasury, the township clerk shall attest to such payment. A township board may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this Section, including rules regulating the township clerk's attestation when the township clerk is temporarily unavailable, for payroll processing, and for the payout of funds made by cash, credit and debit card, electronic check, and other means. Attestation under this Section is not required by the township clerk prior to the issuance of an emergency financial assistance payout authorized by Section 6-10 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

(Source: P.A. 100-983, eff. 1-1-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19; 101-519, eff. 8-23-19.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-30)

Sec. 70-30. Annual accounting to township board; certificate of board.

(a) Within 30 days before the annual township meeting, the supervisor shall account to the township board for all moneys received and disbursed by the supervisor in his or her official capacity.

(b) The supervisor shall provide each member of the township board with a copy of his or her statement filed in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Funds Statement Publication Act as soon as possible after filing the statement.

(Source: P.A. 88-62; 89-331, eff. 8-17-95.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-35)

Sec. 70-35. Periodic presentation of accounts to township board. The supervisor shall receive all accounts that may be presented to him or her against the township and shall lay them before the township board at or before their next meeting.

(Source: P.A. 82-783; 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-37)

Sec. 70-37. Township attorney. The supervisor, with the advice and consent of the township board, may appoint a township attorney. The township attorney's compensation shall be fixed as provided in Section 100-5.

(Source P.A. 87-708; 88-62; 88-360; 88-572, eff. 8-11-94; 88-670, eff. 12-2-94.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-40)

Sec. 70-40. Failure to perform duties; forfeiture and disqualification. If any supervisor refuses or wilfully neglects to perform any of the duties of the office under the preceding Sections of this Article, he or she shall forfeit to the township the sum of \$50 and shall be disqualified to act as the supervisor of the township.

(Source: P.A. 82-783; 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-45)

Sec. 70-45. Supervisors in Cook County. The supervisors of townships in Cook County shall perform the same duties as supervisors of townships in other counties under township organization, except that

they shall not be members of the county board or exercise any of the powers of county board members. They shall have the same compensation for their services prescribed by law for similar services rendered by other township supervisors.

Township supervisors may serve as members of the Cook County Townships Public Aid Committee. The supervisors shall not receive additional compensation for duties associated with the Cook County Townships Public Aid Committee but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses related to service on the Committee.

(Source: P.A. 90-210, eff. 7-25-97.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-50)

Sec. 70-50. Supervisor of general assistance. The township supervisor shall be ex officio supervisor of general assistance in the township and shall administer the general assistance program in the township as provided in Articles VI, XI, and XII of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

(Source: P.A. 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-55)

Sec. 70-55. Member of board of health. The township supervisor shall be a member of the board of health for a public health district as provided in the Public Health District Act.

(Source: P.A. 88-62.)

(60 ILCS 1/70-60)

Sec. 70-60. Road district treasurer. In each road district comprised of a single township, the township supervisor shall be ex officio treasurer for the road district and shall execute a bond and have powers and duties as provided in Article 6 of the Illinois Highway Code.

(Source: P.A. 88-62.)