



Illinois State Association of Counties

June 5, 2020

The Honorable JB Pritzker
Governor
State of Illinois
207 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Governor Pritzker:

I write to respectfully request that you sign Senate Bill 2135 into law.

Among other provisions, the bill amends the Open Meetings Act (OMA) to allow public bodies to conduct meetings by audio or video conference during a disaster declaration and under certain conditions without the physical presence of a quorum of the members.

This legislation provides critical and formal authority and guidance for local officials seeking to conduct public business during a public health emergency that results in a disaster declaration. This option will allow important public business to be accomplished while mitigating the risk of exposing elected officials and the public to health dangers.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please feel welcome to contact me at (217) 679-3368 or by email at jmccoy@isacoil.org whenever I can be of service.

Respectfully,

Joe McCoy
Executive Director

Cc: The Honorable Elgie R. Sims, State Senator
The Honorable Kelly M. Burke, State Representative
Tiffany Newbern-Johnson, Deputy Chief of Staff for Legislative Affairs