

Date: August 13, 2019

Compliance with Public Act 97-0609

▪ *Amendment to Illinois Open Meetings Act*

A recent amendment to the Open Meetings Act requires an employer who participates in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund ("IMRF") to post on its website, or at its principal office if it does not have a website, two (2) categories of employees: those employees with a total compensation package in excess of \$75,000 and those employees with a total compensation package equal to or greater than \$150,000. These changes were part of Public Act 97-0609.

The term "total compensation package" is defined in the Act to mean, "payment by the employer to the employee for salary, health insurance, a housing allowance, a vehicle allowance, a clothing allowance, bonuses, loans, vacation days granted, and sick days granted."

For employees who have a total compensation package in excess of \$75,000, the total compensation package must be posted within six (6) business days of approving a budget. Public Act 97-0609 also requires an employer to post on its website the total compensation package for each employee that is equal to or in excess of \$150,000 per year at least (6) days before approving the employee's total compensation package.

Data below is included and individually lined out for each employee whose payroll is processed by the County Clerk's office, not including its Health and Highway Departments, that is considered to be above a \$75,000 or \$150,000 compensation package threshold. Please contact the Health and Highway Department for that information.

Employees of Macoupin County with a total compensation package in excess of \$75,000:

1. Employee: Shawn Kahl
Position: Sheriff
Department: Sheriff's Office

Current Annual Salary: \$74,820.26

Health Insurance payments made by County: \$6,828.36*

Housing Allowance: \$0

Vehicle Allowance: The Sheriff and all deputies are provided with a patrol vehicle

Clothing Allowance: \$400 afforded to all employees of Sheriff's office for clothing allowance annually

Bonuses or loans: \$0
Vacation days granted: N/A
Sick days granted: N/A

Employees of Macoupin County with a total compensation package equal to or in excess of \$150,000:

1. Employee: Jennifer Watson
Position: State's Attorney
Office: Office of the State's Attorney

Current Annual Salary: \$171,880.03
Health Insurance payments made by County: \$6,828.36*
Housing Allowance: \$0
Vehicle Allowance: \$0
Clothing Allowance: \$0
Bonuses or loans: \$0
Vacation days granted: N/A
Sick days granted: N/A

2. Employee: Jonathan Verticchio
Position: Public Defender
Office: Office of the Public Defender

Current Annual Salary: \$171,880.30
Health Insurance payments made by County: \$6,828.36*
Housing Allowance: \$0
Vehicle Allowance: \$0
Clothing Allowance: \$0
Bonuses or loans: \$0
Vacation days granted: N/A
Sick days granted: N/A