

SB2738



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 1/12/2024, by Sen. Mary Edly-Allen

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

65 ILCS 5/11-1.5-5
65 ILCS 5/11-1.5-10

Amends the Co-Responder Pilot Program Division of the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that any police department in the State may establish a co-responder unit, including the hiring of personnel. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by
5 changing Sections 11-1.5-5 and 11-1.5-10 as follows:

6 (65 ILCS 5/11-1.5-5)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2029)

8 Sec. 11-1.5-5. Definitions. As used in this Division:

9 "Department" means a police department that has
10 established a co-responder unit under this Division ~~the East~~
11 ~~St. Louis Police Department, the Peoria Police Department, the~~
12 ~~Springfield Police Department, or the Waukegan Police~~
13 ~~Department.~~

14 "Social Worker" means a licensed clinical social worker or
15 licensed social worker, as those terms are defined in the
16 Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act.

17 "Station adjustment" has the meaning given to that term in
18 Section 1-3 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.

19 "Unit" means a co-responder unit created under this
20 Division.

21 (Source: P.A. 102-756, eff. 5-10-22; 103-154, eff. 6-30-23.)

22 (65 ILCS 5/11-1.5-10)

1 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2029)

2 Sec. 11-1.5-10. Establishment; responsibilities; focus.

3 (a) The East St. Louis Police Department, the Peoria
4 Police Department, the Springfield Police Department, and the
5 Waukegan Police Department ~~Each department~~ shall establish,
6 subject to appropriation, a co-responder unit no later than 6
7 months after May 10, 2022 (the effective date of Public Act
8 102-756) ~~this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly,~~
9 including the hiring of personnel as provided in this
10 Division.

11 (a-5) Any police department not described in subsection
12 (a) may establish a co-responder unit under this Division,
13 including the hiring of personnel as provided in this
14 Division.

15 (b) Along with the duties described in Sections 11-1.5-15
16 and 11-1.5-20, the unit's social workers are responsible for
17 conducting follow-up visits for victims who may benefit from
18 mental or behavioral health services. The unit shall utilize
19 community resources, including services provided through the
20 Department of Human Services and social workers in juvenile
21 and adult investigations, to connect individuals with
22 appropriate services.

23 (c) The unit's primary area of focus shall be victim
24 assistance.

25 (Source: P.A. 102-756, eff. 5-10-22.)

26 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.