

1 AN ACT concerning counties.

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

4 Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by adding  
5 Section 5-1085.5 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/5-1085.5 new)

7 Sec. 5-1085.5. Homicide and questionable death protocol.  
8 Each county must establish a written protocol to deal with  
9 homicides and questionable deaths. The protocol must be  
10 promulgated by the Coroner, Sheriff, State's Attorney, all  
11 fire departments and fire protection districts located in the  
12 county, and all police departments located in the county. The  
13 protocol must include at least the following:

14 (a) the types of deaths that fall under the scope of the  
15 protocol;

16 (b) the agencies concerned with the death;

17 (c) the area of responsibility for each agency regarding  
18 the death; and

19 (d) uniform procedures concerning homicides and  
20 questionable deaths.