

Submitting a Substitute Ordinance Amendment to Communication No. 316481  
Finance Committee

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

**MEDICAL EXAMINER**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that Chapter 38 Health and Human Services, Article VI Medical Examiner, Section 38-112 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 38-112. Qualifications and appointment.**

(a) The Medical Examiner must be a physician licensed by the State of Illinois to practice medicine in all its branches and must hold a certificate from the American Board of Pathology in both Forensic Pathology and Anatomic Pathology.

(b) ~~The Medical Examiner shall be appointed by the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners with the advice and consent of the Board of Commissioners, for a term of office which shall continue until the Medical Examiner resigns or is removed for cause following notice and an opportunity to be heard. The Medical Examiner, once so approved by the Board, shall serve for a term of five years. This notwithstanding, the Medical Examiner may be removed by a written request of the President to the Board of Commissioners upon a claim of negligence, malfeasance, misfeasance, immoral, illegal or unethical conduct or failure to properly execute the duties of such position, accompanied by a certification that such request is not being made pursuant to any considerations prohibited by the Shakman Consent Decree and subject to a hearing and an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Commissioners. Upon expiration of said term, the President may reappoint the Medical Examiner to a subsequent term in the manner set forth aforesaid. In case of a vacancy in the office of the Medical Examiner, the vacancy shall be filled in the manner set forth aforesaid for the unexpired part of the term. For purposes of this section, the term of office of the current Medical Examiner shall be deemed to have commenced on December 6, 2010.~~

**Effective Date:** This Ordinance Amendment shall be effective upon passage.