



Decennial Committees on Local Government Consolidation and Efficiency Act

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Introductions



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Agenda

Overview of the Law

- Section by Section, Paragraph by Paragraph, Line by Line

Practical Considerations

- General Advice for Townships and Road Districts

Questions and Answers

- “Free advice is usually worth exactly what you pay for it.”



Senate Bill 3789 Signed Into Law on June 10,
2022



Now Officially Public Act 102-1088



Creates the Decennial Committee on Local
Government Consolidation and Efficiency Act

Overview

“Governmental unit”
includes all units of local
government that may levy
any tax, except
municipalities and counties.

Section 5. Definition.



What is not included in the definition?



CITIES



VILLAGES



COUNTIES



“SUBSIDIARY” BODIES
(EVEN OF THOSE TO
WHICH IT APPLIES)

Section 10.

Formation of
Committee

Members of
Committee

Vacancies on
Committee

Administrative
Support



Section 10(a) - Formation

Within one year after the effective date of this Act and at least once every 10 years thereafter, each governmental unit must form a committee to study local efficiencies and report recommendations regarding efficiencies and increased accountability to the county board in which the governmental unit is located.




Section 10(b) - Membership

Each committee's membership shall include the elected or appointed members of the governing board of the governmental unit; at least 2 residents of the governmental unit, who are appointed by the chair of the board of the governmental unit, with the advice and consent of the board; and any chief executive officer or other officer of the governmental unit. The committee shall be chaired by the president or chief elected or appointed official of the governing board of the governmental unit, or his or her designee. The chairperson may appoint additional members to the committee as he or she deems appropriate.

Committee members shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed by the governmental unit for their expenses incurred in performing their duties.

Section 10(c), (e) - Specialists

A committee may employ or use the services of specialists in public administration and governmental management and any other trained consultants, analysts, investigators, and assistants it considers appropriate, and it may seek assistance from community colleges and universities as necessary to prepare the report required under Section 25.



Each governmental unit shall provide administrative and other support to its committee.

Section 10(d) - Vacancies

If a vacancy occurs in the committee membership, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the appointments under subsection (b).

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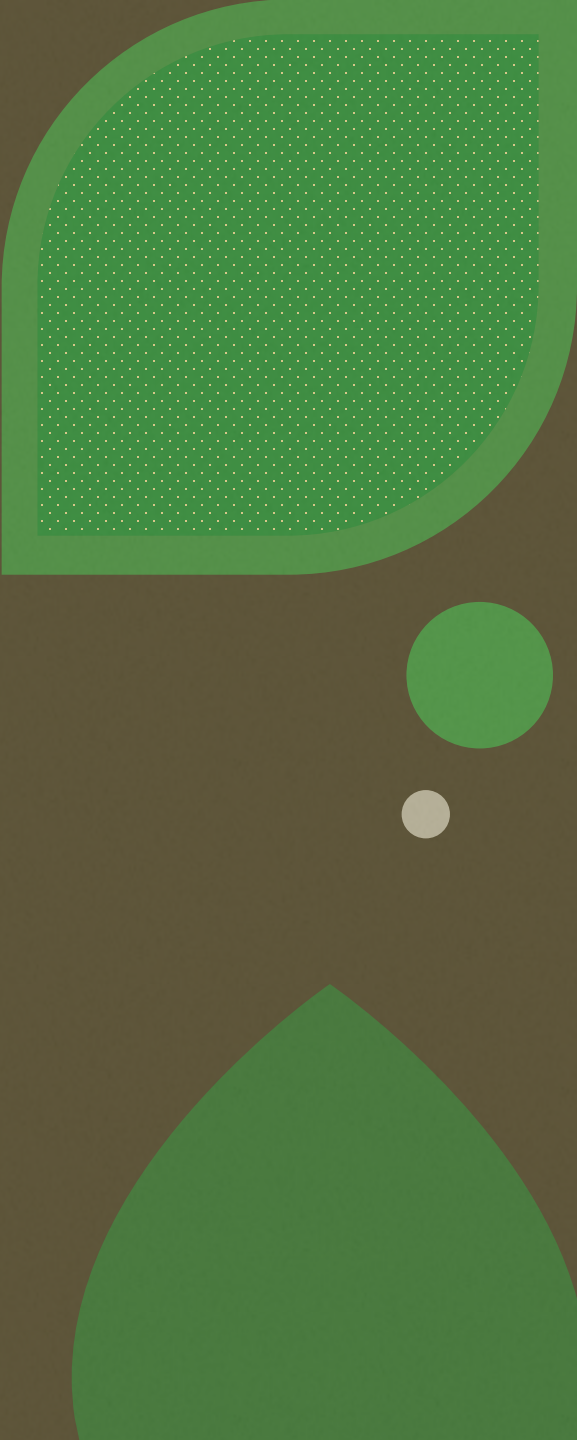
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Section 15. Duties

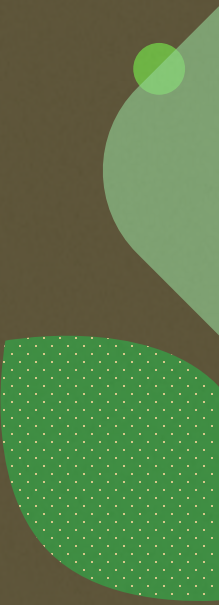
Duties of a committee. The duties of a committee include, but are not limited to, the study of the governmental unit's governing statutes, ordinances, rules, procedures, powers, jurisdiction, shared services, intergovernmental agreements, and interrelationships with other governmental units and the State. The committee shall also collect data, research, and analysis as necessary to prepare the report described in Section 25.





Section 20 - Meetings

Each committee shall meet at least 3 times. The committee may meet during a regularly scheduled meeting of the governmental unit as long as: (1) separate notice is given in conformance with the Open Meetings Act; (2) the committee meeting is listed as part of the board of the governmental unit's agenda; and (3) at least a majority of the members of the committee are present at the committee's meeting. Each meeting of the committee shall be public, and the committee shall provide an opportunity for any person to be heard at the public hearings for at least 3 minutes. The committee may require speakers to register. The committee shall meet in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and the committee shall be a public body to which the Freedom of Information Act applies.



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Section 20 (continued)

At the conclusion of each meeting, the committee shall conduct a survey of residents who attended asking for input on the matters discussed at the meeting.

Section 25 - Report

Each committee shall summarize its work and findings within a written report, which shall include recommendations in respect to increased accountability and efficiency, and shall provide the report to the county board in which the governmental unit is located no later than 18 months after the formation of the committee. The report shall be made available to the public.



Section 30 - Dissolution

After a committee has made the report required under Section 25 available to the public, the committee is dissolved until it is reestablished with newly appointed members under Section 10.



The Law Also...



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SCHOOL CODE



AMENDS THE STATE
MANDATES ACT

FIRST BREAK

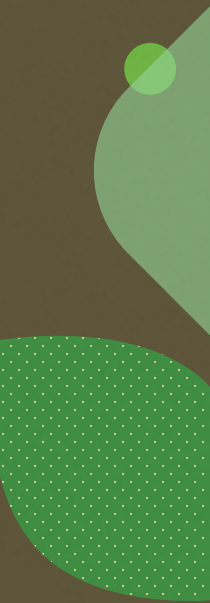


Practical Considerations

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Time to Share...

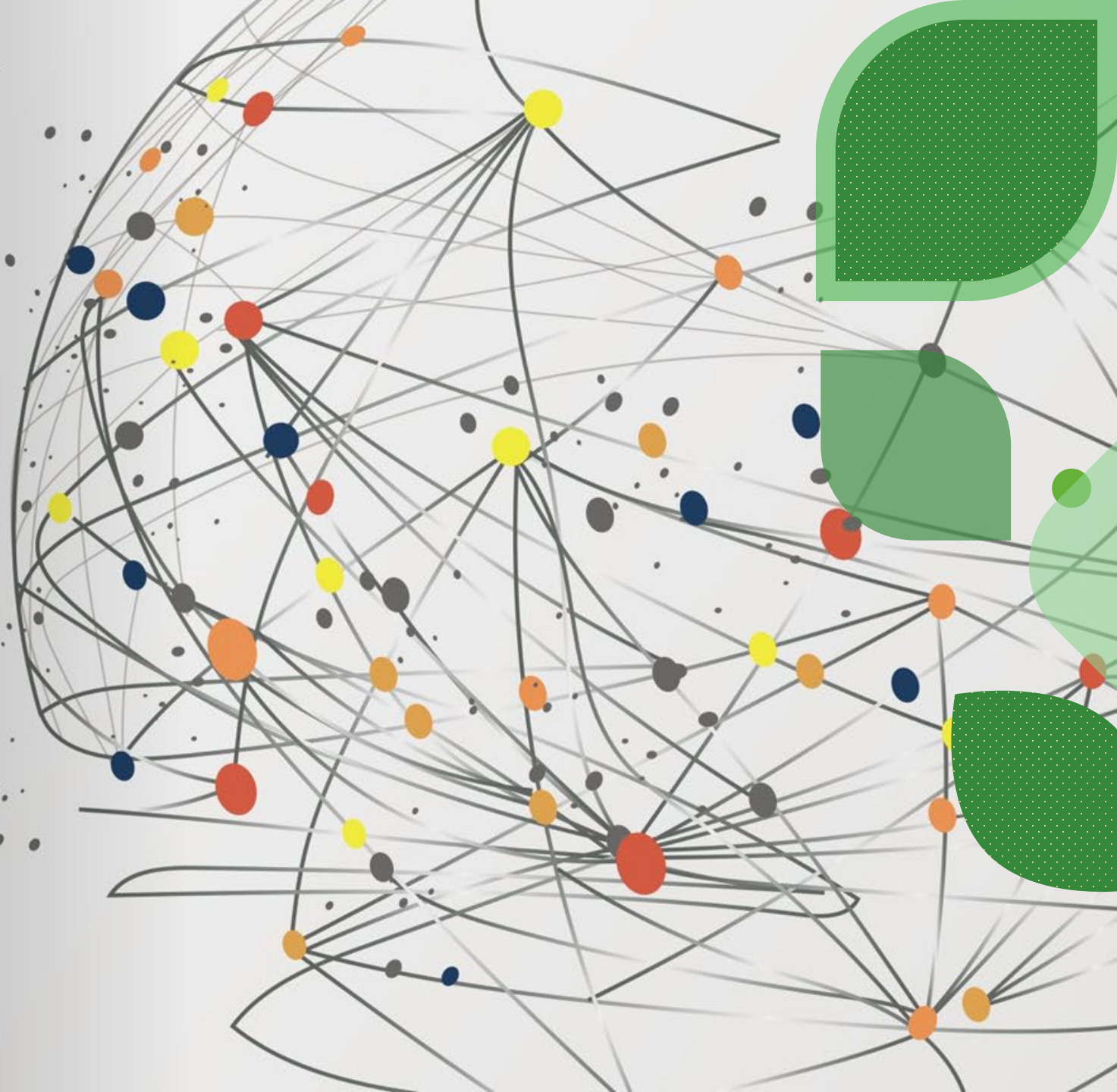
- How many of you have formed a committee?
 - Who serves on it?
 - How many times have you met?
 - What resources are you using?
 - How many more meetings are planned?
- How many of you have started a report?
 - What does it contain?
 - Why?
 - What does it omit?
 - Why?





Time for John to Share...

Common questions/issues I
hear from those who have
created a committee





The Report

Our Chance to Tell Our Story

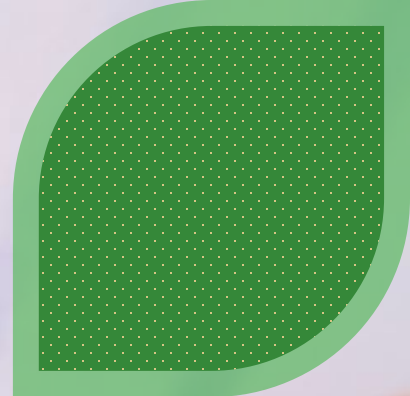
- What we do well
- What we do for our community now
- What we want to do for our community in the future
- How we are efficient

Explain and Elaborate

- Officers (including Assessor)
- Township/Road District “Team”
- General Assistance
- Road Maintenance
- Intergovernmental Agreements
- Ways to Grow



SECOND BREAK



Questions and Answers

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