Resolution No. 70 - 02/19
Urging the State Legislature to Change State Law to Allow the Transportation of Individuals Under Protective Custody or Emergency Detention

Moved/Sponsored by: Health and Human Services Board

WHEREAS, under current law, it is necessary for sworn law enforcement personnel to transport individuals placed under protective custody or emergency detention; and,

WHEREAS, this requirement is counterproductive in many ways including the fact that it:

- Jeopardizes public safety by removing law enforcement officers from their community for extended periods of time;
- Stigmatizes the individual being transported;
- Is expensive for taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors encourages the State of Wisconsin to change laws pertaining to the transport of individuals who are under Emergency Detention or Protective Custody to allow the transports to be made by private firms under appropriate standards established by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Evers, legislators representing Walworth County and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Nancy Russell
County Board Chair

Kimberly S. Bushey
County Clerk

County Board Meeting Date: February 12, 2019

Action Required: Majority Vote X Two-thirds Vote ___ Other ___

Policy and Fiscal Note is attached.
Reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 2-91 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances:

David A. Bretl
County Administrator/Corporation Counsel

Nicole Andersen
Deputy County Administrator - Finance

If unsigned, exceptions shall be so noted by the County Administrator.

This Resolution/Ordinance was: [X] Adopted [ ] Roll Call/U.C. [Voice]

Rejected/Referred/Laid Over

Ayes: Noes: Absent:

Date February 12, 2019
Policy and Fiscal Note  
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I. **Title:** Urging the State Legislature to Change State Law to Allow the Transportation of Individuals Under Protective Custody or Emergency Detention

II. **Purpose and Policy Impact Statement:** The purpose of this resolution is to urge to the State Legislature to review the law on emergency detention and protective custody transportation and to consider allowing a private company to transport individuals.

III. **Budget and Fiscal Impact:** Passage of this resolution will not impact the County budget.

IV. **Referred to the following standing committees for consideration and date of referral:**

   Committee: Health and Human Services Board   Meeting Date: January 16, 2019
   Vote: 7-0
   County Board Meeting Date: February 12, 2019

Policy and fiscal note has been reviewed and approved as an accurate statement of the probable policy and fiscal impacts associated with passage of the attached resolution.

David A. Bretl  
County Administrator/Corporation Counsel  
Date: 1/17/19

Nicole Andersen  
Deputy County Administrator – Finance  
Date: 2/19

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