



## Legislation Text

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### Title

Quantitative Narcotics and Cannabinoid Testing and Expedited Examination - Purchase

### History

In 2016, the Illinois State Legislature passed a law (625 ILCS 5/11 501(A)(7)) establishing a legal level of cannabis intoxication for a Driving Under the Influence arrest. Statutory quantitative testing is now required to determine the level of delta-90 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of an offender's whole blood and/or urine to determine a presumption of intoxication. Currently, the Illinois State Police Crime laboratory does not have the ability to conduct quantitative analysis of either whole blood or urine. Additionally, the Illinois State Police Crime Laboratory is unable to provide an approximate date when it will receive funding and purchase forensic equipment to satisfy the statutory requirement.

The University of Illinois Chicago Analytical Forensic Testing Laboratory (AFTL), a fully accredited laboratory, has the ability to conduct statutory required quantitative testing for delta-90 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration with a turnaround of between 14 and 21 days. The laboratory can also conduct quantitative testing for other narcotics. Urgent requests will be honored and can be completed in 24 hours.

On February 20, 2017, this item was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee and referred to the Village Board for approval.

### Financial Impact

The AFTL charges \$150.00 per sample for cannabinoid quantitation in either blood or urine. Blood volatile quantitative (alcohol concentration) testing is \$75.00. Additional quantitative testing of blood is \$50.00 each. Rush requests cost an additional \$25.00 per case. The maximum requested annually is \$5,000.00. The department would expend funds from the State Asset Forfeiture Account #027-2800-432990.

### Recommended Action/Motion

I move to approve using University of Illinois Chicago Analytical Forensic Laboratory (AFTL) of Chicago, Illinois to conduct statutory required quantitative narcotics and cannabinoid testing and expedited examination at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00 annually.