

IC 36-7-24

Chapter 24. Multiple County Juvenile Facility Authorities

IC 36-7-24-1

"Authority"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to a multiple county juvenile facility authority established under this chapter.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-2

"Board"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "board" refers to the board of directors of an authority.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-3

"Facility"

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "facility" refers to the following:

- (1) A secure facility for juveniles (as defined in IC 31-9-2-115).
- (2) A shelter care facility for juveniles (as defined in IC 31-9-2-117).

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.1-1997, SEC.155; P.L.1-2009, SEC.167.

IC 36-7-24-4

Multiple county juvenile facility authority; establishment

Sec. 4. (a) A multiple county juvenile facility authority may be established under this chapter by:

- (1) ordinance of the fiscal body of each county participating in the authority; and
- (2) ordinance of the executive of each county participating in the authority.

(b) An agreement to establish an authority must include the following:

- (1) More than one (1) county as a participant.
- (2) A formula to determine the amount of money to be contributed to the authority by each county participating in the authority.
- (3) Provisions concerning the construction of a facility or the operation and maintenance of a facility, or both, by the authority.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-5

Public body; exercise of powers

Sec. 5. An authority is a public body corporate and politic. The exercise of an authority's powers is an essential governmental function.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-6**Board of directors; membership; chairman; executive director**

Sec. 6. (a) The powers of an authority are vested in a board of directors of the authority. The board consists of the following members:

- (1) The county executive of each county participating in the authority, or the county executive's designee.
- (2) A juvenile court judge of each county participating in the authority. However, if a county participating in the authority does not have a juvenile court judge, the circuit court judge of the county is a member of the board.
- (3) A member of the county fiscal body of each county participating in the authority, or the member's designee.

(b) The members of the board shall select a member to be the chairman of the board.

(c) An authority may select an executive director by a majority vote of the members of the board.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-7**Quorum; majority vote**

Sec. 7. A majority of the members of a board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. The affirmative vote of a majority of the board is necessary for an action to be taken by the board.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-8**Eminent domain**

Sec. 8. With the approval of the executive of the county affected, an authority may exercise the power of eminent domain under IC 32-24-1.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.2-2002, SEC.117.

IC 36-7-24-9**Powers of authority**

Sec. 9. Subject to the terms of the original agreement under section 4 of this chapter, an authority may do the following:

- (1) Adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws for the conduct of the authority's business.
- (2) Accept gifts and grants.
- (3) Enter into contracts.
- (4) Sue and be sued.
- (5) Acquire, own, sell, convey, lease, or transfer property.
- (6) Cooperate with a public or private organization to carry out the purposes of the authority.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-10**Operation and maintenance of facilities**

Sec. 10. An authority may construct, purchase, lease, or pay operation and maintenance costs of a facility.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.

IC 36-7-24-11

Leases of facilities; establishment of authority

Sec. 11. A county that is a lessor of a facility or a part of a facility may establish an authority under section 4 of this chapter with a county that is a lessee of a facility or a part of a facility.

As added by P.L.223-1991, SEC.1.