LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - Establishing District Attorney Neighborhood Justice Fund]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the District Attorney Neighborhood Justice Fund (Justice Fund) and abolish the Mayor's Community Support Fund (Support Fund), authorize the District Attorney to establish guidelines for disbursement of monies in the Justice Fund and permit the District Attorney to disburse monies from the Justice Fund consistent with those guidelines, rename the Community Courts Program the Neighborhood Courts Program and direct that all penalties and fines collected from participants in that program previously deposited in the Support Fund be deposited in the Justice Fund, and designate the District Attorney as administrator of the San Francisco Dispute Resolution Program Fund.

Existing Law

Existing law established the Mayor's Community Support Fund to receive all penalties and fines collected from participants in the Community Courts Program, established to resolve eligible misdemeanor offenses, and permitted the City to expend those funds to support community enrichment projects.

Amendments to Current Law

These amendments would establish the District Attorney Neighborhood Justice Fund, abolish the Mayor's Community Support Fund, authorize the District Attorney to establish guidelines for disbursement of monies in the Justice Fund and permit the District Attorney to disburse monies from the Justice Fund consistent with those guidelines, rename the Community Courts Program the Neighborhood Courts Program and direct that all penalties and fines collected from participants in that program previously deposited in the Support Fund be deposited in the Justice Fund, and designate the District Attorney as administrator of the San Francisco Dispute Resolution Program Fund.

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